



Proposed Ordinance -  
Supplemental Fuel Tax  
July 12, 2013

PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED

OPPOSED to  
Proposed Amendment

## BL Outreach

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**From:** A [mralxlv@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 28, 2013 6:35 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax increase

Please vote against this outrageous measure. What is being done with funds currently is pitiful as far as any road improvements so why request more money? There are too many roads in Clark County in need of freshly painted lane markings and crosswalks. Las Vegas and Clark County continually has one of the poorest public works departments in the country. Use monies already on hand and keep your hands off my wallet!

Alex Mouton  
Clark County Resident

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Dave Butcher [dave.butcher@live.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 28, 2013 6:46 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** FUEL TAX INCREASE

IF YOU CAN GET IT TO WHERE THE ROADS WILL STOP ADDING HUNDREDS OF DOLLARS A YEAR TO THE MAINTENANCE ON OUR CARS I AM ALL FOR IT.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Brights [thgirblp@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 28, 2013 8:01 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax increase

With the cost of gas what it is, and the taxes we already pay... I've had to cut our food budget just so we can afford to get my husband back and forth to work... and that is driving a fuel efficient vehicle.

We can NOT afford another increase and are against it.

Patricia and Mark Bright  
7075 W Gowan Rd #1008  
Las Vegas 89129

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Lisa brown [flynngallagher@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 28, 2013 9:14 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax

no higher fuel taxes plz & thank u. can we get a break so we can try & get ahead somewhere. stop nickel & diming us everywhere we turn...

HAVE A WONDERFUL DAY!  
LISA

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Pat Sharp [patsharpoffice@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 28, 2013 9:25 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** No tax increase

We pay legislators to make decisions, yet every session they want more money rather than make decisions. There is sufficient revenue. Cut out the \$600k payments to cops and firemen. Do not raise taxes.

Pat Sharp  
Las Vegas

Sent from my iPhone

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Joe [t.joe100@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 6:20 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** FUEL TAX

This should not be voted on by the Commisioners. Put this issue on the 2014 ballet and let the voters decide. if you are going to increase taxes let the people vote a tax increase. If you do this there will be no tax increase. Why take our hard earned money and give it for Government Jobs that are way over paid. Will these two contracting companies be getting Union Wages or will the contract go to the lowest bidder. Stop raising taxes and start cutting Government Jobs. This will increase revenues and help raise funds for any needed road repairs. Hope you listen to us and not your political friends.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Frank Nason [fnason@residentialresources.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 6:29 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax increase

So long as the Davis-Bacon rules are suspended and the bidding for the infrastructure projects go to the lowest bidding company then I am in favor of an additional gas tax. I drive approximately 2,000 miles each year. If you, as a county commissioner, can't represent the tax payers and get the most work for the least amount of dollars then I am opposed to any tax increase.

Frank Nason  
285 Beesley Drive  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89110  
702-595-2800 cell/text

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Woody [lvwoody@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 6:49 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax

**I am completely against the proposed gas tax increase. It will do nothing for the people of this wonderful town. We need to learn how to control our spending and live within a budget, not wasting money on useless things. A tax increase will only leave the average person with less money to spend and in turn will only hurt our economy even more.**

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Gerald [carrickjb@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 6:50 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax

NO TO ANY TAX INCREASE      LEARN  
TO CUT COSTS

## BL Outreach

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**From:** RON1732@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 6:51 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax

I believe that the fuel tax is not the proper increase at this time as the economy is not that good

## BL Outreach

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**From:** MomG [momg@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 7:02 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

Are you IDIOTS out of your mind. We now pay tax on non edible food, gas, all credit card purchases, store purchases, police & fire and everything else you can think of. Instead of trying to empty OUR pockets so we have less how about EMPTYING YOURS for a change. I will certainly vote NO on this and anyone of you who ever runs for office in the future. Like I said before you are nothing but a bunch of IDIOTS.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** cjb258@centurylink.net  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 7:18 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gastax

I am against the new gas tax I think govt like anyone else should live within there means. If I don't have the money to buy something I rearrange my budget or wait till I have the money I don't know why govt cant. Also any new gas tax will be passed on to the consumer by the trucking companies so the taxpayer gets hit twice. Taxpayers should vote on this. Thankyou.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** lenjo [lenjo@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 7:19 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax

Do not approve the increase in the gas tax. The price of gas is high enough without any increase.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Eric Aros [eric\_aros@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 7:20 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** fuel tax increase

I am against a fuel tax increase. We are already paying enough in gas taxes and people are still barely making it. Just because people drive less or better and save gas, you should not punish them by raising taxes because what was the point in driving less or better in the first place.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Wade McKay [wmckay1138@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 7:20 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** No more taxes

Fuel Tax Ordinance

Is increasing taxes the only solution ever proposed to solve a perceived problem??

With inefficiency, waste, fraud, corruption and ineffectiveness prevalent throughout all levels of government, I am strongly opposed to any tax increase that will continue to feed the monster.

Government bureaucracies do not operate on the bases that they have the taxpayers interest at heart and until they do NO MORE MONEY for pie in the sky promises!

Wade McKay

5044 Droubay Dr.

Las Vegas, NV 89122

702-436-4518

## BL Outreach

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**From:** JD [wd0073@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 7:31 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Taxes

The simple question is “Where does it stop?” Federal gas tax is 18.4 cents per gallon. This is supposed to pay for infrastructure and the money is to go to the states for road improvements. Like taxes for specific programs, the money gets used for other things not intended for roads, bridges and other infrastructure projects. We already pay some of the highest gas taxes in the country. Only 11 states pay higher taxes (three within a tenth). Nevada sales tax is 6.85%. We pay 8.1% soon to be 8.25%. For what? The infrastructure is at best poor in Clark County. You can’t sink the traffic control devices in this county. We have no competition for power and Nevada pays some of the highest per kilowatt-hour rates in the mountain region. Go 50 miles to Overton or go to St. George where the power rates are much lower. A no complete clause for Republic Services. I could go on and on. I will do my best to work on replacing all elected officials and replace them with fiscally responsible representatives.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** James Hannah [eyeagency@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 7:41 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax Hike

I have been a Clark Clark resident for 24 years. I do not support this tax hike for gas. I already can't afford gas and this tax will only increase, as the article says. Because gas is so expensive, I use the roads less, ever dine out and am tired of paying way too much.

Respectfully,

James Hannah  
NV License 1066

Henderson, NV 89014  
702-454-8241  
[pi@eyeagency.com](mailto:pi@eyeagency.com)

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Firecapt205@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 8:02 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax increase

I do not feel that the fuel tax increase can be justified. If the tax is increased, will you loss money from someplace else?

Bill Streand

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Doug Nebeker [dnebe@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 8:06 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** In regards to the proposed gas tax hike

I oppose such a measure. Gas prices have risen over the last number of years with things here to stay. We already pay enough in taxes. I'd prefer methods of reducing expenditures and making smarter decisions with the taxes that are already in place. I'm afraid taxes like this will burden Clark County residents even more than they currently are. Please don't raise taxes more without at least making a similar decrease in the expenditures. Grab from both ends if you must but don't continue to just take more taxes without first looking at what can be done to remove the waste. Amazing things can happen when you are forced into reducing expenditures as thousands of people in this valley have found out over the last number of years.

Thanks

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Michael Moore [mooremj@digimechs.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 8:07 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel tax

I am not in favor of a fuel tax. RTC has improved roads on what basis? Sahara? Did they do any studies before or after that show the economic impact of all the extra money beyond road maintenance, such as wider sidewalks, trees and such? No they have not!

Simply put you will waste it and then ask for more.

Sent from my iPad

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Philip Krebs [krebspj@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 8:14 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I strongly oppose any fuel tax increase in Clark County!

Clark County Commission,

June 29, 2013

I strongly oppose any attempt by the Clark County Commission to raise gasoline taxes by about 3 cents a gallon for each of the next three years.

Gasoline prices have doubled or tripled since about the year 2,000.

The cost of electricity has been rising constantly.

Government, Federal, State and County needs to eliminate fraud, waste and abuse.

The cost of ever expanding government is being placed directly on thje backs of taxpaying public consumers.

You public officials take every opportunity to try ind increase revenue.

The Health Care Reform Law that was voted into law against the overwhelming will of the American People and was deemed constitutional using convoluted logic by Justice Roberts, claiming it is a tax when Congress and Obama said it was not a tax, is going destroy the American Economy when this law takes full effect. Small businesses are cutting back both in number of employees and in hours worked to try and keep from being destroyed by this intrusive law that is nothing more than massive Government Control under the guise of Health Care.

GET THE GOVERNMENT OFF THE BACKS OF THE PEOPLE!

DO NOT RAISE FUEL TAXES AND DAMAGE AN ALREADY FRAGILE ECONOMY!

Sincerely, Philip Krebs  
2743 Quebec Ct.  
as vegas, NV 89142

## BL Outreach

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**From:** lisc8er [lisc8er@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 8:16 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** raising gas tax

Contrary to what you may believe, good times have not returned. The electric has gone up, the water has gone up, the sales tax is going up and now you think it's a good idea to raise the gasoline taxes? I am making less at work than I was 3 years ago. We are being taxed into the poor house. Wait for the economy to get rolling for at least a few years before you slow it down with more taxes.

Joseph Ruggieri  
911 Shining Rose Place  
Henderson NV 89052

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Marie Chandler [mchan10@embarqmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 8:23 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Cc:** wchand1646  
**Subject:** Increase in fuel tax

Good morning,

I am against an increase in the fuel tax. Most seniors and low income families are having a difficult time paying for their fuel now and increases by about 3 cents a gallon for each of the next three years is not feasible for them.

Please consider this and do not vote to increase the fuel tax.

Thank you for your concern for these individuals.

Lena M. Chandler  
Concerned Citizen

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Earnie [earnie@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 8:30 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax increase

You are opening A can of worms. First you raise the gas tax then all service outfits are going to request A rate hike because of A loss of profits. Like happened with the water company got A rate increase because we saved water reducing their profits. The power company gets rate hikes to cover their loss of profits. The bus fares will increase because of higher fuel costs. Us seniors who can't get A raise must live within our means. Reduce new road construction until you have funds to build new projects. Lets start living with what you have. Maintain what projects you have and don't any new projects until you have the funds. Spend like our seniors and live with what you have and not what you hope to get.

[Earnie@cox.net](mailto:earnie@cox.net)

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Earnest

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Jenel Stine [JenelS@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 8:32 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax Hmmm

**Importance:** High

Although I support a gas tax for highway improvement, I believe there Must be some scrutiny on what highway projects are done. For instance, RIGHT NOW they are repaving a portion of S. Maryland Pkwy that DID NOT NEED RESERFACING. I have experienced many many more roads that are in dire need of repair, making me very wary of the waste of our hard earned money.

Also, IF you are going to charge us this tax – SOMETHING DESPERATELY NEEDS TO BE DONE WITH THE TRAFFIC LIGHT TIMING!!! When I moved here 2.5 yrs ago, the lights were fine. NOW – we are WASTING GAS stopping at literally Every Light! Feeling like this is some kind of scam to get us to Use More Gas, because there is No Reason for this Atrocity! This in turn Also causes More Pollution – and Road Rage, as well as numerous people Running Red Lights to avoid sitting at yet another light for an unreasonable amount of time – does someone have a screw loose or what!?!

Thanks for listening,  
(a US Citizen and Clark County Resident)

Jenel Stine

## BL Outreach

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**From:** James Price [jprice1234@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 8:38 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** comment

I don't understand the logic of tying tax increases to inflation rates. When the cost of goods and services go up, that creates additional hardships for consumers. Why add to their burden by increasing taxes? Insomuch as you have control over the price of certain things, their cost should go down as other costs are rising. Why can't government understand elasticity of demand? When the Clark County Shooting Range wanted to increase revenue, it raised fees. When Lake Mead NRA wanted to increase revenue, it raised fees. If you lower those fees, you'll attract more people and make more money. If you lower the cost of gasoline, more gasoline will be purchased and you'll take in more tax revenue.

James Price

## BL Outreach

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**From:** HRoberts [roberts1942@outlook.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 8:45 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax Assembly Bill 413

We are against the fuel tax increase because we feel the funds are, in a lot of respects, not used properly. There is too much waste and not enough non-union participation. Projects are finished and then overlapping projects undo part of the work previously completed. This is occurring at the present time in both the north and south part of the valley.

James Roberts

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Mark Craven [markcraven@embarqmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 8:51 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax Opinion

Dept of Bus License,

Since it is the function of government to provide the necessary services that citizens cannot do individually and to do it in an efficient, cost effective manner, I suggest that instead of raising the fuel taxes on the "income" side of the equation, the "expense" side of the ledger be reduced to avoid the tax increase, which seems to always be the easiest way out of the spending dilemma we always find ourselves in.

Maintenance and construction costs of the highways can be substantially reduced if the county would simply renegotiate the union contracts to avoid mandated union workers to provide the maintenance and construction. True open bidding for the projects, without union mandate, would very likely eliminate the need for additional fuel taxes. Free market competition really works if given the chance. So my suggestion is to remove the union labor mandate, do true free market bidding for the projects, and just see how the dollars roll out. It's worth a shot. And it's better than raising taxes.

Mark Craven  
2121 S. Cimarron Road  
Las Vegas, NV 89117  
702 338-4091

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Jack Conley [jconley1938@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 9:15 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax.

Please register my opposition to the proposed Clark County fuel tax. This is a bad idea and only hurts the working man. This is a bad idea and is regressive.

Jack B Conley  
8037 Silver King Drive  
Las Vegas, NV 89129

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Putpark@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 9:29 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax

1. I hope this does not affect the tax increase voted on and approved by the voters to be provided to the Metropolitan Police Department. 2. No approval for any additional gas tax until you cancel the raise the commissioners voted for themselves. 3. If input from the public is once again ignored limit the increase to .01 cents a gallon. 4. Learn to live within your budget.  
WJPP

## BL Outreach

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**From:** ShareThis [notifier@bounces.sharethis.com] on behalf of jbualle@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 9:52 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** jbualle@aol.com has shared: Clark County seeks public input on gas tax increase

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### Clark County seeks public input on gas tax increase

Source: reviewjournal.com

Before commissioners vote on fuel tax increases, Clark County residents have a chance to take a stand.

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[jbualle@aol.com](mailto:jbualle@aol.com) sent this using [ShareThis](#). Please note that ShareThis does not verify the ownership of this email address.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Richard Kavanagh [46goat@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 9:58 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

According to the RJ, I am able to submit feedback to this email address concerning the possible action by the Clark County Commission to raise the gas tax here in Clark County. As I understand it, this could be done not just once, but multiple times.

Nevada has the second highest electric utility rates in the western states, we have extremely high vehicle registration fees and we already have probably the highest gasoline cost per gallon in the region with the exception of California. Soon to come are higher sales taxes to hire more cops. The teacher's union wants higher taxes on businesses, which will be passed on to consumers, so more money can be spent on education. Where does all this demand for more money end ? I have lived in Las Vegas for about 33 years and what was once a very affordable place to live has now become increasingly unaffordable. I am now retired and living on a fixed income which does NOT increase to keep up with all these higher expenses. I would consider selling my home and moving, but it has sunk in value almost to the dollar amount that it cost me initially almost 28 years ago. Las Vegas is becoming a financial disaster for me. Stop the insanity. I cannot afford higher taxes of any kind. I ask that another method of financing highway construction be found such as wringing more efficiency out of the current revenue stream. Thanks.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Jim Low [jimlow22@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 10:03 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Opposed to Tax Increase

As an economist, I just want to make sure that you understand the overall economic impact of the multiplier effect when applied to gasoline taxes.

Since we live in the middle of the desert, EVERYTHING that we consume is shipped here. Increasing the gasoline tax will therefore result in across the board price increases, not just the cost of fuel at the pump. Of course that will also increase sales tax revenues ;-). Sounds like a good way to stall a pending recovery.

Please record me as opposing this tax increase.

Jim Low  
10440 American Falls Lane  
Las Vegas, 89144

## BL Outreach

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**From:** oogy boogy [oogy@outlook.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 10:07 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax

I buy fuel efficient cars to save money and do my share for the environment. This bill wipes the benefits of those efforts away.

Additionally, because I am assigned to teach at a school located on Charleston and Eastern and I live in BC I find this tax punitive. At least the entertainment tax would have allowed the user the option to adjust entertainment according to their budget and collected more monies from tourist. My vote is no for reasons listed above and because road projects seem to be a vortex for money with few if any appropriate finished products.

Thank you for your time.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Jon Rich [jonwrigh@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 10:09 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** NO FUEL TAX INCREASE

Putting a larger tax on a commodity for the reason because people are using it less is not a good idea. 1st it penalizes those who are being conservative in the use of fuel. 2nd filling up the car gas tank is expensive already. The extra cost just means less spending on other goods and service which would generate tax anyway. 3rd visitors look at Las Vegas as a cheaper place to vacation. Why make it more expensive.

I though it a bad idea for the legislators to vote this tax in. I would rather see property tax go up, or even sales tax go up not the price of gas.

Besides all of that, Roads in the valley are being fixed in wasteful ways. There might be one road such as Desert inn that is torn up, fixed torn up and fixed and torn up and fixed. with lots of poor planning. Over the last ten years I have seen that happen on Eastern, and Sahara also. Residential roads seem to be neglected. Which possibly may need assessments on property in that area.

Jon Rich  
228 S 17th st  
Las Vegas NV 89101  
Ph 702-388-1200

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Bernie [bbaglione@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 10:12 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** fuel tax

I vote no to increase taxes on fuel to fund highway construction.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Dr.andMrs. Andrew P. Mulligan [heland96@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 10:38 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach

WOW! Doesn't anyone look at the price of gas today..and you want to add more to the cost..We are absolutely against the proposed increase in the tax ...cut spending money that we Do NOT have..WE ARE ABSOLUTELY OPPOSED TO INCREASE IN THE GAS TAX ..Andrew and Helene Mulligan.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** PHAETEAN@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 10:51 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax

I approve the measure only under strict circumstance

- 1- only !!!!! goes to new road construction.
- 2- only !!!!! goes to road improvement
- 3- only !!!!! all work weather new or improvement are bidded out
- 4- only !!!!! to the lowest bidder ( do you hear that Larry Brown )
- 5- only !!!!! if any the funds are used for any other purpose we as tax paying citizens have the right. To immediately call for a cease and desist and hold any commissioner personally responsible!!
- 6- there shall be no good of boys back door negotiations!!!!!! If that any commissioner is found involved in said negotiations that person shall be immediately removed from office, and held accountable!!!

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Dave Hicks [dwhicks62@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 11:04 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax Ordinance

The Las Vegas economy is still struggling and a great many people are still unemployed. Gas prices continue to rise and the people driving around looking for work are having a hard time filling up their gas tanks. Do you really think it is a good time to be raising the tax we already pay for gas. I hope you consider what effect this increase will have on the citizens of Clark County.

Thank you,

Dave Hicks

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Erin Beesley [ebeesley@embeesley.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 11:27 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Against gas tax increase

Our gas taxes are already the highest in the country. NO to additional gas taxes  
Erin Beesley

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Brian Kosinski [brian.kosinski@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 11:34 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas TAx Increase

Sirs:

I stand in opposition to any fuel tax increase. I do not believe that it is wise to increase taxes while still trying to revive a struggling local economy. While many folks could clearly afford the increase there are many others out there (like me) who are on a very fixed income or have a very small income (if any at all). This tax increase hits hardest at those who can least afford it. The tax will also have a ripple effect which will negatively impact the community. It will affect the prices of products we buy at the store as well as the services we may have to purchase because it will now cost plumbers, contractors etc more to do their job or provide their service. Once these increases go into effect, I don't ever see them going away!

Thank you:

Brian J. Kosinski  
88 Cabana Blanca St.  
Henderson NV 89012

## BL Outreach

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**From:** a.tuma@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 11:35 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

I am against any new taxes on Gasoline. With all the waste & inefficiencies practices that all government agencies practice along with behind the door deals we can accomplish the so called infrastructure projects without tax increases. Besides as the economy grows more revenue will come in. We do not need a single penny of any type of new tax.

Armin D. Tuma  
10121 Hope Island Drive  
Las Vegas, NV 89134-7559

E-mail= [a.tuma@aol.com](mailto:a.tuma@aol.com)

## BL Outreach

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**From:** John Hicks [dragonducks@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 11:48 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax increase.

Isn't it about time you all learned to run a proper budget? All the increase on taxes is legal theft. Quit lining your pockets! We have taxes or license fee's on just about everything. It's time to practice good government. By the people and for the people. Your special interests are no longer needed. Clean up all the fat and tighten your belts for a change. How many million were you given by the federal government just for road work? Get off our backs we have to live too!!

## **BL Outreach**

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**From:** Curt Cornell [curtcornell@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 11:53 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** No More Taxes

**We moved to Las Vegas 14 years ago and have seen taxes go UP,UP, UP....**

**It is time to look at living within our means and not continue to raise taxes. How about seeing where all the funding is going now? Is it being used wisely?**

**I DO NOT support any increases in taxes or taxes on gasoline, for any reason.**

**Sincerely,**

**Curtis L. Cornell  
2132 Tiger Links Dr  
Henderson, NV 89012-6102**

## **BL Outreach**

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**From:** Loran Moulton [loran.moulton@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 12:06 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax

**To Whom It May Concern,**

**I strongly urge you not to pass another new tax onto citizens of Clark County! If it not the Federal Government asking for more money under the guise of creating more jobs now it is Clark County. To fill my tank exceeds \$100 and now we want to increase that so we can do more road work. Do not pass anymore taxes!**

**Loran Moulton  
2411 Alpine Meadows Avenue.  
Henderson, NV 89074**

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Smith, Chris (Kern River) [Chris.Smith@kernriversgas.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 12:20 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Assembly Bill 41

I'm writing this email to let you know that I believe an increase in fuel tax is not the correct way to increase Clark County taxes. Please vote no on Assembly Bill 41.

Chris Smith  
2728 Enchanted Isle st.  
Henderson, NV. 89052  
702-616-3986

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Greg Stanphill [gstanphill55@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 12:22 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax

This is my response about the County Commissioners raising gasoline taxes. We already pay a lot of tax on gas and they want to raise more! I am retired living on a fixed income. My pay does not get yearly cost of living raised by people who make really good pay checks are ok with 3 cents here and more down the rode. No big deal to them! My medical monthly premium is going from \$150.00 per month to \$392.00 next month. How are people supposed to live like that? Of course, rich people don't see any thing wrong with 3 cents, sales tax increasing from 8.1 to 8.25 for more cops who are never on the streets ticketing crazy speeding drivers. No one is supposed to use their cell phones but why stop when you never see a cope on the road! You go to other cities, and you see lots of cops. Drive from Las Vegas to Southern California and big difference. You seldom see a NV. Patrol car before State Line and then you see lots of CHIPS patrolling. I lived in this state since 1969 and it is becoming a waste of a state. If I can sell my house, I am leaving. Too many rich people making decisions for the middle class and they have no idea how to live with a middle class pay check. NO MORE TAXES and I am a democrat.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** DeLyle Dvorak [drddd1@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 12:45 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax

Doesn't Nevada already have some of the highest gasoline taxes in the country??? How much more can be 'sucked' out of the public? Incomes don't keep up and for those of us on fixed incomes, we're screwed.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Sally Barto [jbssb342@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 1:10 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** AB413

NO to this increase. This will cause our food prices to go up as well.

NoNoNoNo!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Sent from my iPhone

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Mark Morrison [mmorri7864@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 2:09 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Proposed Gas Tax

My wife and I do not support your planned tax increase in it's current form. This appears to punish everyone who does not drive a hybrid vehicle. To equally distribute your tax to everyone who uses the roadways in Nevada you should instead propose taxing the actual mileage traveled by each registered vehicle in the preceding year. This mileage can be recorded at the same time you have your annual smog test. Add the tax to the car's registration. Respectfully, Mark and Kathryn Morrison

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Michael [lasvegas michael@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 2:26 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** NO gas tax increase

**NO gas tax increase.** An increase fuel tax will increase Nevada's cost to do business and will increase cost of everything that we consume and sell.

This increase is not necessary, as the economy continues to improve additional in place tax revenues will increase. Let's keep the economy rolling with NO FEUL TAX INCREASE.

*Have a great week. Michael*



*7117 Whitford Street, LV, NV 89166*

## BL Outreach

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**From:** George Williams [gandawilliams@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 2:46 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

I do not support putting anymore taxes on the poor. This is a very regressive tax that spreads out increasing the cost of many products, not just gas. We will probably see our sales tax rise soon so we don't need any more. Have the commission stop the bleeding from UMC first.

George Williams  
1374 Erskine Ave  
Las Vegas, NV 89123

## BL Outreach

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**From:** gmr363@cox.net  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 2:58 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

As a long term Clark County tax payer, I am opposed to any increase of the gasoline tax. Government officials can find other means to fund road projects. Gas prices are obsence as it is. No gas tax increase please.

Greg Roehm  
1413 Lucaccini Ln.  
Las Vegas, NV. 89117

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Ray Syfert [rsyfert@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 3:07 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel tax increase

The economy in Nevada and specifically, Las Vegas, is still in horrible condition. Please don't do anything to take anymore dollars out of our very empty purses.

Thank you for giving the people a way to express our desires.

Sincerely,  
Ray & Ann Syfert  
5234 Blue Gum Ct  
Las Vegas NV 89148  
702-873-2018  
[rsyfert@cox.net](mailto:rsyfert@cox.net)

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Patty Duffey [duffpack@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 3:07 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** opinion - gas tax

I recently moved here from California because I thought of Nevada as a progressive state. Not "progressive" in the liberal terms of tax and redistribute, but progressive, meaning fiscally responsible and doing the right things to improve life for its citizens. But this year I'm questioning my decision to move here. Another gas tax? Are you kidding me? When the country and the state and its citizens are doing well, THAT'S the time you should consider raising slightly revenue to get something done like roads. I like our road. We're on top of it. There are few hazards. This is the **WRONG** TIME to be adding another tax to the heavy burden we are all facing. Please--don't do it.

Pat Duffey  
1735 Sebring Hills Dr  
Henderson, NV 89052

## BL Outreach

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**From:** greg bernacki [geb2989@rocketmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 3:32 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** No on the 3 cent gas tax.....

**No No** a thousand times **NO.**

Greg & Laurel Bernacki  
2309 Cordelia St.  
Henderson, Nv. 89044

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Roger Pessell [kaibabcoyote@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 3:49 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** No on fuel tax increase

We say **NO** on any tax increases. If you need money, take it from the 50 million that Gov. Sandoval has allocated for ELL.

Roger & Sandy Pessell  
Henderson, NV

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Dike Cloud [dike@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 4:02 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** FW: Gas tax

First, hotel 'resort' charges, and now increased gasoline taxes. Guess the tourists will want to stay home and patronize their Indian casinos.

D.E. Cloud

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Wross89130@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 4:22 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Tax Increases

As a registered republican voter in Las Vegas, NV, I, William W. Ross of 6705 Rancho Santa Fe, 89130 herebystate I am AGAINST any Tax Increase. Both my wife and myself voted for you and if you sign any type of legislation to increase our taxes, I would vote against in any election.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Donna Phelps [donnaphelps73@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 4:30 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** fuel tax ordinance

I am writing to voice my objection to the fuel tax that is being proposed. If I understand after 3 years it would be 9cents / gallon. and of course never go down as taxes never do. If this were just for Las Vegas I wouldn't object. If the projects were for the little towns I wouldn't object. With that being said I live 38 miles from St. George , Utah. Now that the tax on everything is going up (ex .8.25 sales in October) I will try to plan my trips to there on empty and fill up. There should be another way that to continue to tax the people. I never go to LV but live in Clark County.

Thanks for your time  
Donna Phelps

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Michael Webster [wbginc@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 4:38 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** FW: websterbusinessgroupbusinessletter  
**Attachments:** WEBSTER BUSINESS GROUP BUSINESS LETTER.pdf

I am strongly opposed to the proposed gas tax.  
A state lottery would solve many problems.  
Thanks  
Michael Webster  
702-595-2129

Michael Webster  
Webster Business Group ( Since 1984)  
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[wbginc@cox.net](mailto:wbginc@cox.net)  
Licensed Real Estate Broker NV & UT  
Professional, Confidential, Experienced, References.

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**From:** Tamie Wolfe [mailto:tamielv@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 26, 2013 8:47 AM  
**To:** Michael Webster  
**Subject:** websterbusinessgroupbusinessletter

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Darlene Falvey [d3176f@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 4:55 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gasoline tax

No new taxes

## BL Outreach

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**From:** fredsherry [fredsherry@embarqmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 7:11 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Increase of NV gasoline tax

I understand money is needed to fund highway improvements but a increase in fuel tax will hurt so many citizens. Perhaps at a later date when we recover from the recession but not now. 10,000 jobs? For how long? And of course contractors want the gas tax. They will be the people who profit from it so their opinion is worthless. No threat intended but those who vote in favor of a fuel tax increase will be remembered at election time. We vote. Thank you. Fred W. Tapia

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Mary - Edwin Konopka [konomges@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2013 8:01 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach

Gas tax.

I am a retiree and living on Social Security and a small pension. The cost of food, electricity, and general cost of living as gone up in the past few years. I am sure you are aware that any tax increase will increase that cost of living. You say you need the money for transportation cost. Well, what about the cost to the people living in Nevada? Businesses are struggling to survive, and people are barely making ends meet. Any tax, at this point will be a burden.

Perhaps you should find another way to pay for the cost of transportation repairs, Perhaps you could find some program, (any program, I am sure there are many) that is ripe with fraud and clean the books of duplication. You cannot get blood from a stone, the people of Nevada will be unable to absorb more cost. SCRAP THIS BURDENSOM TAX IDEA.

Mrs Mary Konopka  
697 Peach Coral Street  
Las Vegas, NV 89183  
[konomges@hotmail.com](mailto:konomges@hotmail.com)

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Shainen [shainen@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2013 9:49 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** GAS TAX INCREASE

HOW CAN YOU PEOPLE EVEN THINK ABOUT RAISING THE GAS TAX WHEN YOU ALLOW COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO ENJOY EXORBITANT PAY AND BENEFITS? THE PRIME EXAMPLE IS PAUL YOUNG WHO HAS A TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME OF OVER \$605,000.  
HAVE YOU PEOPLE NO COMMON SENSE OR CONSIDERATION FOR THE TAXPAYERS OF CLARK COUNTY?  
MARTIN R. SHAINEN  
336 CORSICANA ST.  
LAS VEGAS, 89138

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Richard [richardfc@embarqmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2013 10:05 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** County Fuel Tax Increase

I would like to comment on the proposed additional fuel tax for Clark County.

This is a very bad idea at the least.

The tax will slow down consumer purchase as they will have less to spend and combined with the sales tax increase for police it will certainly have a negative effect on our very slow economic recovery.

I would also comment that the correct way to resolve our transportation problems would be to get our fair share of the State and Federal money.

I have read various articles that all confirm that Southern Nevada is contributing somewhere in the neighborhood of 70% to 80% of the state and federal taxes for the state but we are only getting about 30% of them returned to us versus 70% for Northern Nevada.

I read where during this last legislative session a bill was introduced in the Senate to revamp the state transportation commission so that we would have control and hopefully our fair share of transportation funds. It was bottled up by the Senate Transportation Committee Chairperson and therefore never put to a vote. This is just one example of Northern Nevada having undue influence on issues and legislative bills.

Before we increase our taxes in Southern Nevada we need to have our members of the legislature get our fair share of State and Federal funds. It is interesting that Southern Nevada has majority control of the legislature but the north still manages to have undue influence.

Before any more taxes in Southern Nevada we need to get our fair share and if our present legislators can't do it we need to elect some who will get the job done.

Sincerely,

Richard Clauser

7014 Red Tide Drive

Las Vegas, NV 89131

Phone: (702) 396-9160

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## BL Outreach

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**From:** Les Raschko [raschko@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2013 10:46 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Cc:** Leslie Raschko  
**Subject:** NO on Gas Tax

NO on gas tax increase---unfair to working (tax paying) poor.  
Also, unknown Obamacare taxes continue to be unveiled weekly.

Les & Connie Raschko  
128 Bradshaw Way  
June 30, 2013

## BL Outreach

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**From:** lila millar [lila32millar@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2013 11:45 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** PLEASE DO NOT RAISE THE TAX ON GASOLINE

LET THE RTC RAISE THEIR OWN MONIES FOR THERE BUSINESS.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** FISH1519@aol.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2013 12:40 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

No increase to the gas tax. Auto fuel is too expensive now and it will create an increase in other services as all businesses will pass along their increase to customers.

thank you,

Gregory Fischer

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Lettie Gutierrez [chico04@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2013 1:28 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** feedback on gas tax

I am in favor of creating jobs that last but not in favor of adding 3 cents for the next three years. Maybe half would be more acceptable. There was no information given on what highway improvements so until there is more information, I say NO.

Maria Gutierrez  
3250 Velvet Rose St.  
Las Vegas, NV 89135

## BL Outreach

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**From:** JOHN\BOB CUNNINGHAM [JBOBVEGAS@COX.NET]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2013 2:18 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** FUEL TAX INCREASE

NO to Fuel Tax increase!!!!!!

John and Mary Ann Cunningham  
2760 Olivia Hgts. Ave.  
Henderson, NV 89052

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Mark [mswguitar@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2013 2:25 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gasoline Tax

Hello,

I am writing to voice my opposition to raising the taxes on gasoline. Here in Nevada, we already pay one of the highest gasoline taxes in the nation, and these proposed increases could make us the state with the highest gas tax in the country. Nevada is traditionally known as a great state with low taxes (which was the primary reason I moved here a few years ago). Please do NOT approve these tax increases. They are bad for Nevadans and bad for the economy.

Thank you,  
Mark Kincaid

## BL Outreach

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**From:** JOHN FRANZEN [mugu82@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2013 5:20 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax

All pols can do when they get together is talk about spending money or raising taxes. Enough with the taxes! This proposed gas tax will add more pain to struggling families, the poor and businesses. Another tax will stifle the anemic recovery and divert dollars from the private sector.

It is hard to attract businesses to Nevada, and raising taxes doesn't help. Every government bureaucracy in the country wants to raise our taxes. How about leaving some of our money for us to spend the way we want ? NO MORE TAXES - At least until we have a real recovery and unemployment level gets to 5%.

John Franzen  
3408 Bryan Keith Ave  
N Las Vegas, NV 89031

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Stephen Gross  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 6:21 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Cc:** Stephen Gross  
**Subject:** Tax Increase Opinion

Good Morning

Please do not raise taxes of any kind and of any amount.

Stephen Gross

## BL Outreach

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**From:** JohnH [jhartz177@clear.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 7:00 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Pursuant to Assembly Bill 413 and the Clark County Gas Tax Increase. I oppose big time.

- Repeal of the Prevailing Wage laws is needed to get fair bang for county dollars.
- Taxpayers would probably get 30% (estimate) more production out of each tax dollar spent if the Prevailing Wage law is repealed , therefore eliminating the need for the increase in taxes.
- What road projects will \$700 million go towards? No specifics.

**I am OPPOSED to this unnecessary Tax Increase**

John Hartzel  
District F

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Sherwin Moshiri [moshiris@unlv.nevada.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 7:50 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax

I oppose the commissioners' decision to want to vote for a fuel tax increase. The price of gas is high enough as it is.

For additional sources of revenue why does not the esteemed commissioners vote to increase the taxes on the casinos?

It is absurd that they only pay 6% in income taxes. Tourists are astonished when they hear that!

I am a registered voter in the county and my zip code is 89121.

Very respectfully,  
Sherwin S. Moshiri  
Veteran

## BL Outreach

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**From:** james lindquist [jelindy5566@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 8:57 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax

I don't want the 3cent gas tax it's getting to point that all you people want to do is tax maybe try to cut the retirements of out public employees went they are making double wnat they made went they were working also cut the unions out of goverment and we'll have more than enough money to do great things for nv. but until our goverment learns to say no you'll always want to tax the people to death jim

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Sam Santoria [samsantoria@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 9:38 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gasoline tax

Commissioners:

Is this tax you are about to approve going to pay for your exorbitant salaries and for all the raises you just received including for Tina Quigley and her staff? Way to go to stick it to the taxpayer who is barely making it, RTC!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

p.s. See you the second Thursday of the month.

Sincerely,

Sam Santoria

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Judy [ladydiodes@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 9:44 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax

We are paying more than enough in taxes already. Please not no on adding more taxes to our already high price of petro

Respectfully

Ladydiodes

Sent by Ladydiodes via iPhone

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Brian Kunding [hotrodharry57@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 9:48 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** taxes

Gentlemen:

The tax increases proposed by our elected officials, fail to take into account the incomes of the taxpayers that you are attempting to reduce.

Not all taxpayers receive the level of income that the state and county employees do. Retirees and the un/under employed's income levels cannot sustain the dream list our elected officials propose. Please stop putting your hand in my wallet. I earned my money, let me spend it on my lifestyle, not your dream list.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Robert Snyder [bobs37222@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 9:54 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

I am strongly opposed the proposed gas tax, and urge the commissioners to vote against authorizing any increase in fuel taxes.

Thank you.

Robert F. Snyder  
2320 Whites Ferry Ct.  
Henderson, NV 89044

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Brian Kunding [hotrodharry57@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 10:04 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** tax increases

Gentlemen:

Not all taxpayers have the income that the "Taxpayer's Employee's" at the state and local government level enjoy. Why is it that government has this insatiable appetite to spend other peoples money, thus reducing their employers quality of life? Just to remind these employee's, retiree's and the under / un employed cannot sustain their meager sustenance in the face of continuing tax increases. If additional monies are required for these dream lists, start cutting the wages of our employee's!

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Theresa Drevetzi [tdre27@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 11:08 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Proposed Gas Tax

Though it may create jobs I am AGAINST raising fuel prices, what about people who are making minimum wage, they work almost a full day just to fill up their vehicles to get to work. My son is one of those minimum wage workers, I not only fuel both mine and my husbands vehicle, I also have to put money into his tank so he can get to and from school and work. And they will increase with the rate of inflation, what about people who's income does not rise with the rate of inflation. How about the commissioners take a better look at where they are wasting taxpayers money instead of constantly chasing after the people who barely are able to scrape by to pony up yet again. You wouldn't give money to the school district which needs it more then the highway projects department does. Of course the General Contractors are for this increase it's just more money to line their pockets and hire out of state workers, so where's the benefits for local Nevadans? Who's decision was it to put those stupid dividers up on the 15 that constantly got destroyed and then you took them down, gee wasn't that a great investment. I wonder how the children of Nevada would have benefited from the thousands that were spent on the plastic poles to separate the express lanes that once they came down just added 2 more lanes for the crazies to go zooming in and out of. I hope you seriously rethink this as a good thought, otherwise I will seriously rethink who I vote for come election time.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Rick Silva [quicksilva65@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 11:22 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

I vote NO on your proposed gas tax. I just got through registering my 3 ohv's for Nevada's new off road tax and now you want more tax out of me! Don't you people ever stop! Here's a novel idea, make people that ride Mopeds and Bicycles on our tax funded streets pay into the system. That should jen up some revenue. You can also layoff a 3rd of the state road inspectors. It does not take 4 inspectors to work a small road project. And if it's a night job, usually one is sleeping in his truck or they take turns. I know this because I see it first hand. I've worked road construction for 41 years...I've seen the waste! Rick Silva, Las Vegas.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** BL Internet Email Account  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 11:50 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** FW: Vote "No" on, Proposed Fuel Tax NRS 237.080 Title 4, Chapter 4.07

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**From:** Hoppy [mailto:hoppy55@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2013 3:14 PM  
**To:** BL Internet Email Account  
**Subject:** Vote "No" on, Proposed Fuel Tax NRS 237.080 Title 4, Chapter 4.07

In regards to Proposed Amendments – Providing for Increases in Fuel Tax, NRS 237.080, Title 4, Chapter 4.07 (AB 413)

My Family and I are adamantly against raising Fuel taxes at this time, and allowing for increases up to 7.8% for each of the next three (3) years. This is not a good choice at a time when many Nevadans are still struggling from unemployment, energy cost, and over all constant inflation. Many Americans have lost their confidence in Federal, State, and Local Governments. It appears no matter how much taxes are raised, and budgets are extended, governments consistently mismanage taxpayers money.

Americans and Nevadans alike are expecting our elected officials to stand-up against constant taxes increases, and find solutions reducing government expenditures and waist. We hope we can count on each and everyone of you to support us at a time this affects us the most. We will be watching closely in order to know who we can count on in the near future.

HAH

## BL Outreach

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**From:** karl.mayer@unlv.edu  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 1:48 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** DO NOT raise our gasoline taxes, please!

Dear CC Commissioners:

DO not go ahead with an increase in our gasoline taxes! Vote this down. The voters have repeatedly spoken on this issue - STOP raising our taxes - the govt. has to learn to do with LESS, just like individuals and the private sector.

I know that Comm. Sisolak appreciates this, but I hope the other 4 Comms. do as well.

We voted down the CCSD tax increase last year.

We voted down the Henderson Libraries tax increase last year.

If the sales tax increase would have (and should have) gone back for a vote, it too would have been voted DOWN, since there are NO more COPS as a result, and all they did was push up their pay and benefits. This is called Bait and Switch in retailing.

PLEASE understand that we have the highest unemployment in the nation -- you just cannot keep asking us to give MORE and MORE!!! Stop it!

Rather, the government needs to learn to do MORE with LESS (revenue). I am a state of Nevada employee, but I fully understand the need to keep spending down, ESpecially in these times!!! I have had a pay cut for the last 3 years, and while I don't like it, I accept it, but everyone else needs to be in the same boat with the rest of us! Tell the road contractors and their lobbyists to cut their profits first!!!

Sincerely,  
Dr Karl J. Mayer  
Professor  
UNLV  
Hotel College

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Karla Tucker [kc-tucker@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 3:42 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax

I say NO to increased gas tax. You are killing me.

Curtis and Karla Tucker

## BL Outreach

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**From:** lisa.davis@unlv.edu  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 4:30 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas prices

Please do not raise the gas prices. I have two children in their early 20's and I am subsidizing their gas. It is a burden on all of us, especially our youth.

**Lisa R. Davis, MBA**

Assistant Director  
UNLV Lee Business School MBA Program

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*Life is not the way it is supposed to be....it is the way it is...the way we cope with it, makes the difference.. : )*

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## BL Outreach

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**From:** Michele Hunter [michele\_hunter@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 6:43 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax Increase

A \$0.03 per year in gas tax will hurt the locals who are barely making it out of the recession now! I am opposed to this increase and will vote against my commissioner if he votes for it.

Thank you,  
Michele Hunter  
89052

## BL Outreach

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**From:** John Bonilla [johnrbonilla@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2013 7:18 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel tax increase

Hello,

I am writing because I understand that Clark County Commissioners will decide whether or not to increase the fuel tax. I strongly oppose any fuel tax increase and actually think the tax should be lowered.

Regards,  
John Bonilla

## BL Outreach

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**From:** RICHARD ANDERSON [mda41@embarqmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 02, 2013 7:36 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax

Stop with this never ending taxing the over burdened tax payers and residence of this County. There seems to be an over supply of wast and fraud in this County already.

This house hold lives (barley) on social security.

Fixed incomes do not go far in this County because of all the reckless spending that goes on at the Commission.

We have, unfortunately, several of the most reckless, poorly informed cowboys in Nevada on that Commission.

Come on folks get a grip, we do not have deep pockets or ability to endure the Commissions endless reckless spending.

I have lost eighteen industrial businesses (friends of mine) I tried to lure from California, (they all went to Texas and Utah) all because of our

sky high energy costs and the reckless spending that goes on in this County.

Can't anyone in this County show some leadership in Government management?

The commission, all of them, act like a bunch of drunken high school kids!

The Anderson Family

[mda41@embarqmail.com](mailto:mda41@embarqmail.com)

702-399-3595

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Jan Beaton [jbeaton@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 02, 2013 7:37 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

Please do not approve to raise gas taxes by about 3 cents a gallon for each of the next three years. The increases would rise with inflation. Nevada is already paying high gas prices and low-income and middle income people cannot afford this.

Jan Beaton  
1797 Franklin Chase  
Henderson NV 89012

May 29, 2013

Dear Sirs:

I realize that money is necessary to repair our roads.

Unfortunately, adding more taxes to the already too-high price of a gallon of gas, is a punishment to low-income drivers.

Those of us on fixed incomes, cannot afford to drive very far on our country's roads, or even take a short trip to a neighboring state. Food & lodging cost less than the price of gas.

Maybe you could raise the tax by only 1¢ rather than 3¢ a gallon.

Please remember that, for some of us, driving a car is now becoming a luxury because of the high cost of gasoline. Don't do



June 29, 2013

Dear Clark County Commissioner  
Larry Brown:

As a 69½ year old retiree  
to your area of 11 years, I feel  
it is an imposition to people  
who are on set income budgets.

However, since we could afford  
a \$2 PowerBall ticket sometimes,  
it would behoove Nevada to let  
PowerBall into the state.

That would give Nevada funding  
for infrastructure, as well as for  
the school system, plus maybe  
more for the indigent.

The impact on the casino  
industry would be negligible<sup>(?)</sup> because  
they are a different crowd.

Thank you for letting me have  
my say.

Sincerely,  
Martha Hancock



Wallace Kuznia  
702 914 3472

To

COMMISSIONERS AND FUEL TAX ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

PLEASE DO NOT RAISE GAS TAX UP - UNLESS YOU GET A  
LOTTERY - RAISE CASINO TAXES TO 10% - STOP PAYING  
FIREMEN TO GO TO SCHOOL THEY SHOULD PAY THEIR OWN WAY -  
PAY FIREMEN THEIR ~~B~~ AND POLICEMEN THEIR BASE PAY  
NO OVERTIME PAY - NO CASH FOR UNUSED SICK LEAVE -  
NO CASH FOR UNUSED VACATION LEAVE - PAY THEM THEIR  
BASE PAY PLUS 25 CENTS EVERY 3 YEARS FOR STEP INCREASE -  
THEY GET COLA PER CENT WHAT EVERY GOV. EMPLOYEE GETS  
PER YEAR - STOP PAYING ALL THE BENEFITS YOU PAY FOR TOP  
WORKERS - GET RID OF ALL PARAMEDICS THE PRIVATE  
COMPANY CAN DO IT - RENT OUT SPACE TO THE PRIVATE  
COMPANY FROM EACH FIRE HALL - CHARGE 100 PER DAY  
FOR EACH SMUT RACK MAGAZINE DOOR ONLY 1 MAGAZINE PER  
DOOR - CHARGE 500 PER DAY FOR EACH PERSON HANDING OUT  
SMUT CARDS - CHARGE 500 PER PERSON FOR PRESSING UP  
AS A CARICATURE THAT COLLECTS TIPS - CHARGE MORE FOR  
SPEEDERS ALSO CHARGE PEOPLE WHO GET INTO A CAR WRECK -  
GET MORE MONEY FROM THE MINERS - STOP GIVING OUT  
TAX BREAKS TO COMPANY'S YOU WANT ME TO PAY MORE  
TAXES THE COMPANY'S SHOULD PAY TAXES ALSO THAT'S WHAT  
WE NEED - IF THE COMPANY DON'T PAY THEN DON'T MAKE ME  
PAY - MAKE 215 AND 515 A TOLL ROAD - THAT LADY FROM UP IN  
CARSON CITY FROM NV HAD A GOOD IDEA CHANGE  
EVERYONE A TAX OR ENTERTAINMENT TAX ON EVERYTHING -  
LIKE EVERYONE WHO GOES INTO A STRIP CLUB PAYS 100.  
MASSAGE PARLOR - LOTS MORE TO PICK FROM - ALL MONEY  
RAISED GOES INTO GENERAL FUND - YOU SEE YOU CAN  
SAVE & RAISE A LOT OF MONEY BEFORE YOU RAISE GAS TAX

**5 STAR HOMES, LLC**  
**M-CARTHY**

4 Rue Gimaldi Way • Henderson, NV 89011 / P.O. Box 424, 2840 E. Lake Mead Pkwy • Henderson, NV 89015  
(702) 564-9973 • olg2575@yahoo.com

June 29, 2013

TO: Clark County Dept. of Business License  
FROM: Thomas L. McCarthy

RE: Fuel Tax Increase

Suggestion - instead of raising all fuel costs, why not designate the increases to higher octanes.

Regular fuel tends to be used by low to moderate incomes - whereas - autos that use mid-grade to premium fuels tend to be used by (generally) higher income people.

If you need everyone to share in the fuel increase (to be fair), do it on a percentage increase according to the fuel grade.

x% on Regular - x% on Mid Grade - x% on Premium  
(higher %) (higher %)

Tom McCarthy

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Sandra DAmico [rhrcw@outlook.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 02, 2013 10:29 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

I am writing regarding the .03 cent more a gallon gas tax. I am very against this because the economy is still not in good shape. I work very low wages and part time. I average 20hrs a week at work. It's hard to put gas in my car driving to and from work everyday and go to the store.

I barely make it on my wages. I have rent, bills and food to pay for. I can't afford another tax and the on top the sales tax going up. Majority of the residents are in the same situation as I am.

I urge all of you, please don't put anymore taxes on us. We can't afford it now. People who depends on the buses will have to may more just ride a bus.

Thank you for reading my letter.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** jah112@cox.net  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 02, 2013 11:09 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** NO Gas Tax

NO Gas Tax, NO Gas Tax, the few of us who pay taxes can't afford another tax and all the price increases it will produce we have limited income and the more you take the closer we are to falling into the welfare society, We would probably live better taking than giving.

July 1, 2013

Clark County Department of Business License  
Fuel Tax Ordinance  
500 S. Grand Central Pkwy.  
Las Vegas, NV 89106

Dear Sirs,

I am a registered voter and as such I want to submit my opposition to the proposed increases in the fuel tax. I live on a fixed income and increases in the fuel tax that are being proposed will place another additional strain on my limited income as I am sure it will on those still working and trying to make it from pay check to pay check. There needs to be another way to pay for the needed improvements to our roads and as custodians of our tax dollars you need to think out of the box and find it. I offer you at least two that I can think of. First, there needs to be a way to levy an appropriate tax on electric and hybrid vehicles and second you need to take a fresh look at bicycles. Both of these modes of transportation use our roadways and contribute to the cost of construction and maintenance required and I do not believe that they pay an appropriate share of these costs. I propose an annual fee added to the license plate cost for electric and hybrid vehicles based on some formula developed by people smarter than me and predicated on the loss of road taxes made possible by these very efficient cars due to their reduction of gasoline purchases. I also propose that all bicycles be licensed and that fees be collected for those licenses, with the possible forgiving of those fees for people under 16 years of age. Bicycles share the road with cars and the cost of providing special lanes and maintaining those lanes comes out of funds that they do not contribute to. In both of these examples the cost of providing these facilities for these two groups are paid for by our gasoline purchases and that is not fair. I reject the premise that I have to pay for someone else to use the public streets and roadways.

Please give appropriate consideration to my objections and my proposals. It is your responsibility to do so, to think out of the box and to treat all tax paying citizens fairly. Imposing the proposed fuel tax hikes does neither.

Respectively,



Manuel Fleissner  
328 Iron Summit Ave.  
North Las Vegas 89031

387-0161

mannyfleissner@yahoo.com

CC: Senator Harry Reid  
Senator Dean Heller  
Representative Steven Horsford

June 30, 2013

After reading the Las Vegas Review Journal on Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup> (the article on gas tax) I am compelled to write to you my opinion. My first reaction to the Governor & state assembly for initiating this tax increase was "I can't believe it", but I guess it is true.

My husband and I live on a fixed income and pay 25% federal tax. Several percent more than the President, Vice President & Congress pay.

Three years ago Las Vegas (Nevada) initiated a luxury tax on luxury items. Our RV is considered a luxury item. We pay an escalated tax on our RV. When we bought our RV gas was \$2.25-\$2.50 a gallon. We traveled at least 3 months of the year. Last year we didn't get to travel. Gas was about \$4.00 a gallon. We are tax poor.

Even though a tax on gas would be more fair, everyone would drive would pay. The tax is too much with the price of gas as high as it is.

Please consider us citizens that pay high taxes (part of the 49% that pay). Increased taxes, utility bills, and normal living expenses (groceries) are climbing daily. A concerned tax paying citizen. Deborah Howard - 7498 Wide Wing Dr.  
702-254-6315 - 702-683-7985 - Las Vegas NV. 89084

  
**Web**

**From:** "Web Thompson" <hwthompso@embarqmail.com>  
**To:** <bloutreach@clarkcounty.gov>  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2013 8:02 PM  
**Subject:** PROPOSED GAS TAXES

Gentlemen:

The proposed 3 cent per gallon gas tax will be paid by the automobile drivers. The two future 3 cent per gallon gas tax will also be paid by the automobile drivers. The existing gas taxes are also paid by the automobile drivers.

All these taxes should be devoted and limited to improvements in our streets, highways, and freeways to benefit the automobile driver.

However, a good portion of these funds are used to finance busses which generally benefit those without automobiles and as such they are merely a method for the government to redistribute our income to the disadvantaged. I contend that the disadvantaged should be financed by welfare funds voted on by our legislature, and not paid for by the automobile driver.

If all the taxes paid by the automobile drivers were devoted to improvements in our streets, highways and freeways, our gridlock problem would disappear. Instead, those automobile drivers not only pay for the streets used by the busses, they also pay for the busses themselves that are using those streets. Not only that, but they pay for special switches that the bus drivers can use to turn traffic signals to green in their favor at the expense of the automobiles! Furthermore, they now have exclusive lanes for busses only, an inconvenience to the automobile drivers and again, paid for by the automobile drivers.

Please stop this nonsense and stop this government redistribution of our wealth and income.



Yours, Howard Thompson, 9224 Sundial Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89134, phone 702-869-9090, E-MAIL [hwthompso@embarqmail.com](mailto:hwthompso@embarqmail.com)

6/30/2013

7121 Old Village  
Las Vegas, NV 89129  
1 July 20013

Clark County Dept of Business License  
Fuel Tax Ordinance  
500 S Grand Central Pkwy  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Box 551810  
Las Vegas, NV 89155

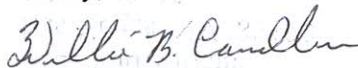
Gentlepeople:

I am totally against the gas tax hike. Drivers already pay too much. Gas is expensive. Our license plates are exorbitantly high, especially with all the people who "don't live here." Two "Government Service Fees"...what's that about? They were supposed to end two years ago! The kiosk fees, which used to be free, are ridiculous now. The payment for smog tests is constantly rising. I totally understand why people don't register their vehicles in Nevada.

We already pay enough...actually too much.

Thank you.

Truly,



Willie B Candler  
702/655-5867

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Dwight Luerksen [bigdinvegas@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 02, 2013 2:12 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Assembly Bill #413 (Fuel Tax Increase)  
  
**Expires:** Thursday, August 01, 2013 12:00 AM

I wish to offer my opposition to this pending legislation. The gas increase is excessive and regressive; especially for seniors living on a fixed income. I am a senior living in Sun City Anthem-Henderson.

Everyone in these recessionary times need to make a strong effort to live within our means.

Sincerely,

**Dwight R. Luerksen**  
**2985 Friendship Hill Circle**  
**Henderson, NV 89052-8534**  
**Phone & Fax: (702) 263-0182**  
**Cell: (702) 523-5494**

## BL Outreach

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**From:** sfav321@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 03, 2013 11:13 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** STOP TAXING US TO DEATH

The government system ( Clark County, State, City of Las Vegas, and any public entity ) is a Beast that will never have enough and will always want more. As soon as they get their money, the money is already spent. Then start making plans on the next increase.

Go to [www.transparentnevada.com](http://www.transparentnevada.com) to see how crazy and out of whack these salaries are.

WE HAVE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES MAKING CEO SALARIES.  
LOOK AT HOW MANY EMPLOYEES ARE MAKING OVER \$150,000.

Compare the wages and salaries of the average worker ( Casino, Construction, retail, restaurant, or any job in the private sector ) to these public employees. We are paying their exorbitant salaries.

If those jobs were offered to the people at 1/2 the pay, they would be filled and the people would be happy to have them.

We should not be telling our kids to go to college when they grow up. We should be telling them to become public employees, they could make more money.

Sebastian

ps. We could use some of that money to fix the roads. No, to any tax increase!!!



## BL Outreach

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**From:** Timothy Litz [tim\_litz@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 03, 2013 11:14 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax Ordinance

With regards to the future Fuel Tax Ordinance, I would like to express my concern.

I am a teacher and drive 50 miles each day for work. I know that I am lucky to have any job right now compared to so many others here in Las Vegas. Teachers look for mainly two things when they are considering a teaching position. One where they can make a difference with kids and those that take a position because it is close to home and convenient. I am one of the many teachers that are truly trying to make a difference but the cost of gasoline has become a significant factor. We have not gotten a raise in several years but my expenses are still going up. I even lost a step raise because of the Nevada tax crisis which would have been several thousand dollars. I have never been one to complain about paying for government services offered.

My belt is as tight as it can get. A tax of 3 cents per gallon each year for the next 3 years with a cap of 7.8% is just too much. Trim this in half and you may have a supporter.

**This tax proposal should not be eliminated but must be reduced.**

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Donna Duncan [donna\_duncan97@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 03, 2013 12:35 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** GAS TAXES

Hello,

I would like to urge you to not raise any taxes on the people of Nevada. Doesn't any of the commissioners think about the effect raising taxes would have on us. We simply cannot afford any more taxes and feel we are paying way too much already. Now the plan is to raise sales tax and a whole lot of other taxes as well.

I definitely feel gasoline is way too high already and a lot of people cannot afford to drive very much as it is. I am so angry that city commissioners and the legislators seem to think all they have to do is raise taxes to generate more income. How about cutting spending and lowering salaries for a change. That would be a nice change. I am sick to death of all the disgusting salaries the school board makes, the ceo of the water company and the list goes on and on. Time for a change.

Sincerely,  
Donna V. Duncan  
Sun City Summerlin

## BL Outreach

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**From:** CenturyLink Customer [gcc@embarqmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 03, 2013 1:59 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Tax

I am Greg Cantwell I am disabled my wife dropped dead I have no one here or any place and more taxes will eat up what little I get PLEASE DO NOT ADD MORE! not all of us have endless money.  
Greg C 89031

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Chuck Muth [chuck@chuckmuth.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 03, 2013 3:13 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I oppose the gas tax hike

Chuck Muth  
(702) 942-3291  
[chuck@chuckmuth.com](mailto:chuck@chuckmuth.com)  
[www.ChuckMuth.com](http://www.ChuckMuth.com)

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7-02-2013

County Commissioners:

We are Seniors + Live AT  
TROPICANA PALMS, a 55yr + older  
manufactured home community.  
We HAVE 530 homes here + a  
large MAJORITY of us live  
ONLY ON SOCIAL SECURITY. We  
CANNOT afford a 3 cent a gal.  
increase in gasoline for ~~the~~  
each of the next 3 years. Our  
electric bills keep going up,  
Food prices keep going up +  
Seniors JUST CAN'T keep up.  
people are keeping our  
THERMOSTATS AT 82° JUST TO  
Try + keep our bills down.  
We map out our errands TO  
run so we CAN make them  
in one Trip TO save gasoline.  
WHAT about all the people

who are unemployed? Any  
gasoline tax increase hits seniors  
young people + poor people the  
most.

We urge you not to increase  
the gasoline tax at this time.

Mr. + Mrs. David Marker  
6420 E. TROPICANA AVE. #5  
LAS VEGAS, NV. 89122

7/01/13

To: Who It May Concern  
From: William Bone  
Re: Fuel Tax

A resounding NO to the proposed fuel tax. Are you joking!

When is enough, enough? Gas taxes are already high and with gas prices continuing to rise, an added fuel tax is the last straw.

The govt in Carson City, keep coming up with every crazy scheme possible to raise our taxes.

Most of the residents are low/middle class families, who bear the ultimate burden of any new taxes. These same families are still reeling from the Upside down mortgage crisis, while holding down 2-3 jobs just to make ends meet, many are on fixed incomes. Where do you expect the public to get the money to pay over increasing taxes.

You the legislature and the  
Commissioners, show arrogance and  
disregard for the middle class taxpayer.  
Without us, the local economy would crash.  
Yet, almost every bill proposed, torques.  
Those in State & local government are  
elected to work on our behalf, and not  
against us.

Our quality of life keeps going down  
with every tax increase. If the Commissioners  
are not beholden to the contractors,  
they should vote down on the fuel tax.  
What good does it do to build up our highways,  
when the residents are struggling to keep  
their heads above water. Show your  
human side Commissioners! Thank You  
Sincerely,  
William Bare

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Boates4616@aol.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 04, 2013 11:20 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Cc:** boates4616@aol.com  
**Subject:** Comments on Gas Tax

More taxes at this time doesn't seem to make much sense.

Folks are already having a hard time making ends meet as it is.

Maybe it's time to see where cost could be cut, chose what is important. If highway projects are what's important, then cut spending someplace else.

Seems that when times are good, more projects are started, then when times are bad, there is no money, so lets raise taxes. Did we really need to spend public money on these projects or is it something that could have been paid for privately.

I have to readjust my budget when cost go up, pick and chose, no reason government shouldn't do the same. They are so quick to spend everyone else's money.

The more people try to save, be it electric, water, or gas, the cost never goes down, the rates keep going up. You get penalized for trying to save.

How many times have increasing taxes had the opposed effect, less revenue.

When gas prices go up, some folks cut back on driving because it cost to much. We've seen that already.

Plus who is to say that after 3 years, it won't stop. We have already seen that doesn't happen. The Governor extended taxes this year that were suppose to end.

So I say no to the proposal to raise gas taxes.

Roberta Oates  
Las Vegas, NV



## BL Outreach

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**From:** Joe Vomund [vegasjv13@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 04, 2013 3:03 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax

Please vote NO on the increase in Gas Tax. Will we never learn? Its bad to vote an ongoing increase, projecting for the next three years..  
Its bad enough to mandate annual increases just because INFLATION is present. That doesn't mean all users received pay increases each year.  
And the 7.8% exemplifies how sordid this taxation issue will grow.  
Please vote NO.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Harry Vickers [vickersharry38@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 04, 2013 5:17 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Proposed fuel tax increase

I am against a fuel tax increase. With a languishing economy an increase in fuel taxes will only slow or stop economic recovery.



## BL Outreach

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From: lv1963@cox.net  
Sent: Thursday, July 04, 2013 8:31 PM  
To: BL Outreach  
Subject: Gas Tax

Dear Sirs:

In response to the newspaper article dated June 29, 2013, I am writing to oppose the tax increase on fuel in Clark County.

This is just another tax on the public. As you know we will never have enough money for roads, police, firemen, and the school district. Ever so often, these organizations ask the taxpayer for more money. Case in point is Metro asking for increase in sales tax.

When you ask for 3 cents/gallon that doesn't sound like very much, but when all the valley monopolies ask for rate increases, it can really hurt the retired and those making it from payday to payday.

Maybe it's time for the city, county, state, and federal governments to spend within their budgets, and not just expect the taxpayer to come up with more money.

One way to raise some revenue would be to tax those who use our streets and roads but pay no fuel tax, meaning electric and natural gas powered vehicles. Maybe each year at renewal of their registration they would pay per mile travelled that year. Just saying.

Sincerely,  
Curklin Jackson  
4610 E. Cincinnati Ave.  
Las Vegas, NV 89104  
702.362.4610



## BL Outreach

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**From:** Gregg Benson [greggb@rebeloil.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 8:17 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I oppose the Clark County Gas Tax Increase

### *PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CLARK COUNTY CODE, TITLE 4 BY ADDING CHAPTER 4.07 PROVIDING FOR INCREASES IN FUEL TAX*

Washoe County has proven that any gas tax tied to an index is a bad idea. While it certainly creates more revenue for the county, it is a speeding train that gains momentum every year without any chance of stopping. Washoe County taxes do not compete with nearby counties and that is bad for business.

I work for a fuel supplier and convenience store operator. Our Clark County stores need to be able to compete with surrounding counties and they are already 5 cents higher. If taxes are going to be raised, DO NOT TIE THEM TO AN INDEX.

Sincerely,

**Gregg Benson**  
Rebel Oil Company, Inc.  
2200 S. Highland Drive  
Las Vegas, NV 89102  
Office: 702-382-5866  
Cell: 702-235-8604

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Anthony Warren [warrenae@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 8:20 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax Increase

I oppose the gas tax hike for two reasons. The ability of the county to raise taxes and bypass the voters and the state legislature is simply immoral. This tax will be paid twice by we the people. Once when we fill out tanks and again when we buy goods and services. Spend what you already receive wisely and do not impose another burden on the people of Clark County who are just getting by as it is.

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**Anthony Warren**

"This was the object of the Declaration of Independence. Not to find out new principles, or new arguments, never before thought of, not merely to say things which had never been said before; but to place before mankind the common sense of the subject, in terms so plain and firm as to command their assent, and to justify ourselves in the independent stand we are compelled to take. Neither aiming at originality of principle or sentiment, nor yet copied from any particular and previous writing, it was intended to be an expression of the American mind, and to give to that expression the proper tone and spirit called for by the occasion."

--Thomas Jefferson, 1825

The message was quite clear! Millions of Egyptians filled the streets of Cairo for days, carrying signs that said -  
**"Obama, your bitch is our dictator..."**  
and **"Wake up America, Obama backs a fascist regime in Egypt..."**  
and **"Obama supports terrorism..."**

The people of Egypt are doing exactly what Americans should have done long before now. As spineless Americans wring their hands and gnash their teeth, watching the Obama regime destroy their country and operating against the majority will of Americans, the people of Egypt seized control of their own destiny.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Mark Hames [mhames@2ndamendmentguns.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 8:31 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** "I oppose the gas tax hike."

As a small business owner, I oppose any new tax increases at this time.  
This one and the "More Cops" sales tax increase is absolutely crazy right now.

Mark Hames

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Mark Hames  
2nd Amendment Gun Shop  
Owner  
4570 N. Rancho Suite 4  
Las Vegas, NV 89032  
702-525-1985  
[www.2ndamendmentguns.com](http://www.2ndamendmentguns.com)

6/29/13

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Peter M. Chura  
10331 Grotto Mtn Ave.  
Las Vegas NV 89166  
Tel 702-3958129

To Business License

I in response to your offer of opinions on the gas tax, I say you've got to be kidding. You possibly can't expect the citizens of Las Vegas that are now struggling to make ends meet or are unemployed. Although our economy is somewhat improving, our unemployment rate is much too high. I remember the days when Las Vegas unemployment was the lowest in the nation. We were then the envy of the country. You want to raise the gas tax and also raise the sales tax to acquire more police that I'm sure we could do without.

I've been living here since 1997 and I said this all along, what this State needs is a lottery. I in New York, I owned a Stationary Store and I had a lotto machine that generated enough sales to pay my rent and then some. I had to hire people to run that machine as my business improved because of it.

Here's the kicker, within a five block radius there was five machines and we all did very well. We all had to hire people to run these machines and of course they had to be repaired, supplies had to be ordered etc, etc, etc. There are many states that have both Casino's and Lotteries and are doing quite well. Again keep in mind 5 blocks, 5 machines and 10 to 15 additional employees. What is wrong with that, may I ask. Because of this our unemployment rate will go down to perhaps 5%. Just think about how many gas stations, delis, supermarkets there are in NV. Casinos won't be harmed by this because more people are employed, business improves, people have more money to spend and you can be sure that Casino business will improve. If we get a Lotte, you won't have to raise the gas tax, sales tax, real estate tax etc. You won't have to raise taxes on the Casino's. They can't have it all

If someone has the nerve to fight them and let the voters decide, you would have money for schools, roads and law enforcement. Get a petition going and lets fight for lower unemployment

I'll be leaving NV in 2 yrs and I hope NV. gets smart before then.



Thank You  
Peter M. Chura

P.S. A response that you got and read this letter would be nice

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Robert Crandall [robert.c850@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 8:51 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** No gas tax hike

I oppose the gas tax hike.

Bob Crandall

## BL Outreach

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**From:** merlinhafen@dgmesquite.com  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 8:52 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I oppose the gas tax!

I live in Mesquite. We make many trips to Las Vegas for services not provided here. The extra gas money per gallon would hurt us more than Vegas, but would hurt anyway. Please don't raise ny taxes. Merlin Hafen

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Raymond Aikens [rnaikens@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 8:55 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas hike

I am totally opposed to any gas hike.

Raymond Aikens

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Kathy Dickey [kathy.dickey@me.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 9:01 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax

No gas tax hike!! No No No!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

## BL Outreach

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**From:** bradleyj1980 [bradleyj1980@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 9:10 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I oppose the gas tax hike and the prevailing wages they're used to fund

Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE smartphone

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Pat Brunson [pabvlnb@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 9:10 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I oppose the gas tax hike

## BL Outreach

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**From:** camsore [camsore@embarqmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 9:15 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I Oppose the Gas Tax Hike

I oppose the gas tax hike.

Rose C. Gilbert

Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE Smartphone

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Bob Summers [bobn.summers@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 9:28 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I oppose the gas tax hike

Will Rogers said, "I never met a man I didn't like." It appears to me that democrats never met a tax they didn't like. Enough is enough!

## BL Outreach

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**From:** danrhl@juno.com  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 9:33 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** No More Taxes

My wife and I do not support a fuel tax increase, we are taxed enough as it is.

Daniel F Ruehle  
Donna M Ruehle

## BL Outreach

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**From:** earl mitchell [carpediem268@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 9:40 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach

I oppose the gas tax!

Earl

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Gene Rush [crush01@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 10:16 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I OPPOSE ANY GAS TAX INCREASE

I am adamantly opposed to any tax increase to pay the outrageous union wages and benefits the public employees of Clark County are receiving. At some point, the general public will say no to the elected officials who pass these taxes.  
Gene Rush

## BL Outreach

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**From:** diamond dave [jdsrevenge@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 10:16 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** i oppose the gas tax hike

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# Inside Every Liberal Is A Marxist Screaming To Get Out

It used to be, those who can do, those who can't teach. Now it's, those who can try to do but don't because those who can't go into politics and punish those who can.

Trying to limit gun violence by making it tougher for law abiding citizens to own guns is like trying to reduce drunk driving by making it tougher for sober drivers to own cars!

**“Extremism in the defense of liberty is no vice. And...  
moderation in the pursuit of justice is no virtue!” - barry goldwater, 1964**

It's getting so that taxation with representation is far worse than taxation without representation ever was.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** jeff johnson [jeffcarol@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 10:40 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax

I oppose the gas tax hike

## BL Outreach

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**From:** nirtlocj@juno.com  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 10:58 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** hike in the gas tax--NO

Dear County Commissioners,

The citizens of Clark County can ill afford even higher gas prices. Government needs to learn to live on less income just like the citizens are having to do. Enough is enough. No more tax hikes. Thank you,

Jeffrey A. Coltrin  
3418 Guardsman Lane  
N. Las Vegas, NV 89032

## BL Outreach

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**From:** S Putman [skjputman@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 11:04 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax increase

Opposed.

County is probably increasing sales tax for more cops. Both of these tax increases unfairly impact low wage earners (me) more than high wage earners.

County's efforts would be better spent on getting the state to give southern Nevada a more equitable share of federal transportation dollars.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Carlos C [kalos8888@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 11:10 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax

I oppose the gas tax hike.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Chaos40@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 11:04 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** The Gas Tax Increase

To our County Commissioners:

Well, here you go again. You are continuing to beat your constituents over the head with additional taxes, a nonstop endeavor of your group. Strange, as you will be subject to those same added taxes. I am resigned to the fact that the increase will be seamlessly instituted but I do have a problem with the "conditions" you appear to be imposing when it comes to spending the monies you collect from us taxpayers.

Explain to me the purpose for restricting the bidding for road building and repair projects to "union only" companies. Can you? Can you explain it honestly and still convince Clark County citizens that this approach is a good thing? I sincerely doubt it.

It seems the terms "fair play" and "level playing field" have been expunged from your vocabulary. I have racked my brain to understand why intelligent Americans such as yourselves (presumably) would impose this restriction.

Wait! An "AHA" moment! These unions, which you so strongly favor, are the means by which you can win the next election. Without their support the majority of you would be just citizens again and not able to meddle in the affairs of the County and its citizens. So simple - and yet so insidious.

I challenge all of you to be fair and honest (Please!) and remove the union-only restriction and give the people you represent the opportunity for fair value in our expenditures.

Thank you.

Kent D. Haase  
4050 Meadow Foxtail Drive  
Las Vegas, NV 89122

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Arnold Teixeira [ArnoldBarb@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 11:50 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax hike

**I strongly oppose the proposed gas tax hike. It appears to me that your answer to every problem is simply to reach into my pocket and take more money. NO GAS TAX HIKE! We are already paying outrageous gas prices.**

**And let Susan Brager know not only will I NOT be voting for her; I will be campaigning actively against her!**

*Regards,*  
*Barbara Teixeira*  
[ArnoldBarb@cox.net](mailto:ArnoldBarb@cox.net)  
11232 Fort Verde Street  
Las Vegas, NV 89179

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Joyce Hazard [j.hazard22@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 12:19 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax hike

I strongly oppose the gas tax hike. It is unaffordable for EVERYONE!

Joyce Hazard

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Nancy L. Suazo RN [nancysuazo@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 12:30 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** GAS TAX

To the Clark County Commisioners:

Gas tax - NO, Union only transportation projects - NO

We are already taxed enough. With oil now over \$102.00 dollars a barrel, I anticipate our gas costs to rise rather dramatically in the next few weeks. Clark County gets enough of my retirement dollars. PLEASE, NO hike in the gas tax!

Sincerely,

Nancy L. Suazo RN  
8665 W Flamingo Suite #131 - 114  
Las Vegas, NV, 89147  
702-255-9461

## BL Outreach

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**From:** LINDA SANDERS [agreatplace2stay@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 1:07 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I oppose the gas tax hike

I oppose the gas tax hike. Linda Sanders a voting, Clark County business owner/resident.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Kenneth Kahn [kkahn2@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 1:09 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax

I vehemently oppose the increased gas tax proposal

Kenneth Kahn  
1801 Prichard Avenue  
Henderson 89052

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Charlotte Goodman [lalotte@embarqmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 1:18 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

For the Clark County Commissioners:

I am opposed to the proposed gas tax. How did all of the road work and beautification of the many roadways, re-configuration of on/off ramps happen? Job creation seems to be a reason to make a case for the tax. How many of the un-employed would truly be able to work on highway projects? Job creation happens when businesses aren't taxed to death and also forced to comply with costly rules and regulations from federal, state and local entities. The housing industry and prices of homes here have been slowly moving up, don't kill it.

In addition to the gas tax, it appears that the Commissioners will be deciding what the Legislators didn't want to do: raise the sales tax to 8.25 percent which Sheriff Gillespie seems to have convinced them to approve. I also oppose that increase. How about living within the current budget? And, what is with the 4% increase in salaries for merit and longevity the Sheriff proposes? Future union negotiations, etc?

Where does it stop? It has become a topic of conversation among those of us who are on fixed incomes. How about those in our communities who are struggling to keep food on the table and a roof over their heads, who have to put gas in their cars to go to a job they are lucky to have. And, what about those who do not have a job, yet have the same responsibilities? The retired who are a large block of the citizenry?.

We read in the Review Journal about attempting to attract businesses for diversity to gaming and tourism. These tax hikes will not attract business or new residents.

Please consider the impact of these taxes upon the citizenry. They can only bring increased misery.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charlotte Goodman

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Rink [rink@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 1:29 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

I am against the proposed gas tax.

Bob Rink

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Jerry Jones [tbird13@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 1:45 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** "I oppose the gas tax hike."

Dear Leaders (?)

**"I oppose the gas tax hike."**

As an elected "leader" do you know anything other than **"A Tax Hike"**?

I challenge you to think... that the day and year will come when taxes will be so high that you and future generations of elected leaders will be unable to raise taxes ... because they will already be beyond raising higher. What would you do then, if you were in that position? We/you may not be to that point at this time but by your actions you are contributing to the dilemma. It will be at that time that **an alternative will have to be done**. I wonder how leaders manage their personal finances!

**I believe that we Americans have raised a terrible group of people who consider themselves to be leaders.**

**Gerald L. Jones  
1636 Williamsport Street  
Henderson Nevada 89052  
702 616-0277**

Jerry Jones  
[tbird13@cox.net](mailto:tbird13@cox.net)

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Jemlv@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 2:34 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Proposed Gas Tax

I oppose the proposed increase in the gas tax!

James E. Mauck  
Sergeant Major US Army, Retired  
3860 San Francisco Ave  
Las Vegas, NV 89115

702-452-5427



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TAXES !!!

SICK OF WHAT THIS  
ONCE BEAUTIFUL  
TOWN HAS BECOME

## BL Outreach

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**From:** keller610@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 3:22 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I oppose the gas tax hike!

WE OPPOSE THE GAS TAX HIKE!!!!

Jay & Rowena Keller  
Henderson, NV

## BL Outreach

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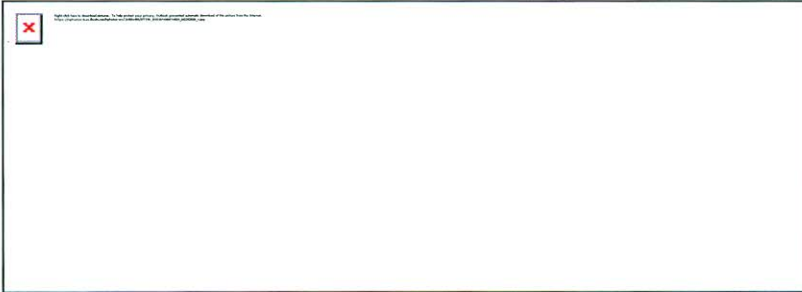
**From:** Dwight Mazzoe [dmazz1@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 3:43 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Oppose Gas Tax Hike....

Do not impose a gas tax hike - we - the tax payers - can't afford it - it's not good for Las Vegas and Clark County and all it does is support the unions.

Thank you,

Dwight M. Mazzone  
8878 Haviland Rd.  
Las Vegas, NV 89123

Dwight M. Mazzone - CDHC  
702.672.5224  
702.974.1990 - Fax  
[Dmazz1@earthlink.net](mailto:dmazz1@earthlink.net)



*I think myself that we have more machinery of government than is necessary, too many parasites living on the labor of the industrious.* Thomas Jefferson

## BL Outreach

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**From:** RChri61260@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 4:05 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** "I oppose the gas tax hike."

I oppose the gas tax, Tax hotel rooms not our gas tanks.  
Robert J. Christie, 4425 Live Oak Drive, LV, NV 89121

**"Always be yourself because the people that matter don't mind, and the ones who mind don't matter."**

PLEASE NOTE:

IF you forward this email please delete the forwarding history, which includes my email address. IT IS A COURTESY TO ME AND OTHERS WHO MAY NOT WISH TO HAVE THEIR EMAIL ADDRESS SENT ALL OVER THE WORLD. ERASING THE HISTORY HELPS PREVENT SPAMMERS FROM MINING ADDRESS AND VIRUSES.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Bob Yeary [ray89110@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 4:15 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** No Increase of the Gasoline Tax nor the Sales Tax

There are 200,000 Unemployed Nevadans and 160,000 illegal aliens working in Nevada. The poor and those on fixed incomes do not need tax increases. The same goes for the increase in the sales tax. It will hurt the poor, the unemployed, retirees and those on fixed incomes.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** J.D. [drjdsjr@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 4:55 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Tax

I emphatically oppose the gas tax hike. Stop it!

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Patricia Cebe [pacebesoftball@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 5:39 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax

I oppose the gas tax hike

Sent from my iPhone

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Nick [nickvly@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 6:44 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

I oppose any gas tax increase.  
Thank You,  
Nick Citino

## BL Outreach

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**From:** jlrod66@cox.net  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 7:11 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Proposed County Gas Tax

Please do NOT consider passing the proposed gas tax. Nevada has the second highest gas tax of all the states and with the necessary driving most of us need to do it would devastate our family's budgets. Thank you.

Jay L. Rodrigues  
5337 Coral Gables Dr.  
Las Vegas, NV 89130  
JLRod [66@cox.net](mailto:66@cox.net)

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Jslark [jslark@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 7:37 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax hike

Gas tax hike is not warranted, already one of highest in USA. When will it stop

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S™ II Skyrocket™, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** sexy702latina [sexy702latina@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 7:51 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I oppose the gas Tax hike

WE'RE TAXED ENOUGH ALREADY AND THIS IS REPRESENTING THE UNIONS! WHAT ABOUT THE REST OF US WHO NON UNION?!

From my Android phone on T-Mobile. The first nationwide 4G network.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** cmaih@cox.net  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 8:24 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax Hike

I oppose the gas tax hike!!

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Pairofkeatts@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, July 05, 2013 9:04 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Time for action. Time for Obama to face Criminal Charges. To start with.

Also it will be time for The Governor of Nevada to also face a bunch of very angry voters who pays taxes.  
Times are so bad that I am no longer with the Fixed Income People simply because I now am a member of the Broken  
Income Group that happens to be seniors that no longer can find part time employment.  
John

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Mick Johnson [johnsome@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 06, 2013 10:09 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax

Say NO to the proposed gas tax.

Thank you,

Sent from my iPad

## BL Outreach

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**From:** uncsin@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 06, 2013 10:36 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Hike

I oppose the proposed gas hike !!!!

## BL Outreach

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**From:** ronlorraine3@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 06, 2013 11:40 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gasoline tax.

gasoline tax . both my wife and i are over 75 with a fixed income. apparently the sales tax will be raised to 8.25%. now they are to consider 3 cents a gallon gasoline tax raise. both of these taxes have immediate effect on our reduced ability to travel for basic needs, dine out , medical visits, etc. we already pay more gas tax than many other states. this tax raise may even cost us tourists, the real backbone of our tax structure . good roads are necessary but the creation of temporary jobs and long term bonds paid for by our grandchildren is not the answer. we would like to finish out our lives in Clark county but may be taxed to a different location.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Mallynch@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 06, 2013 2:21 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** (no subject)

I vehemently oppose the proposed gas tax hike. Union labor is vastly overpaid and under skilled. Additionally, government rarely gets money raised to its intended destination.....usually resulting in government waste and corruption. Other than the above, I have no strong opinions on the subject. (smile)

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Fred Hollenbeck [fstfrdanddeb@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 06, 2013 3:35 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Proposed Clark County Fuel Tax Increase

A tax increase on the residents (many of us retired) of Clark County is ill conceived. Whatever happened to fairness? How about taxation equity instead?

Fred Hollenbeck

## BL Outreach

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**From:** DC5ALCORN@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 06, 2013 4:00 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax Hike

I oppose the gas tax hike. Thanks Dale

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Stilth1lv@aol.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 07, 2013 11:30 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Sales tax increase

In regards to the upcoming vote by the county commissioners on the sales tax increase, I am against this as well as the fuel tax increase. I am employed by the State of Nevada and have experienced a pay cut in 2008 plus forced furlough days, elimination of merit pay, elimination of longevity pay and recently a prohibition on overtime pay. Metro needs to become more efficient instead of going after a tax increase every time they want a pay increase. It seems that the government agencies feel they can raise taxes with little regard for they people that are being taxed. NO ON ANY TAX INCREASES-- BECOME MORE EFFICIENT INSTEAD OF MORE DEPENDANT ON ME.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** kbnrg1@gmail.com on behalf of Karen Waldman [karen.b.waldman@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 07, 2013 3:02 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax - Fuel Tax Ordinance

I am writing to oppose any additional gas tax.

Having lived here over 30 years, I am well aware of how things work here in Clark County. As an integral part of the city, county and state revenue stream, Las Vegas (and Reno) relies heavily on tourism, and raising the gas tax will affect tourism as it raises the cost for tourists (and locals) filling up their tanks while in Las Vegas.

Nevada already ranks 12th in the nation for high gas taxes, and raising the gas taxes by 3 cents a gallon for each of the next three years will elevate us into an even higher position - something that isn't exactly "tourist-friendly." Add to the clever, rise "with the rate of inflation," with the maximum tax increase capped at 7.8 percent annually, and that spells disaster.

The federal gas tax (cents per gallon - cpg) is currently at 18.4 cpg for gasoline and 24.4 cpg for diesel. With a push from the current administration for climate change, which will undoubtedly add even higher taxes on gasoline/diesel, Nevada cannot afford to be in the top 5 states with the highest gas taxes.

I am having a difficult time understanding how the RTC doesn't know how to create a better plan to manage the roads than to raise taxes. Perhaps a review of the cost-per-mile associated with building a road, and how it got to that astronomical amount is warranted. Or perhaps we sit back, and hold off on starting these "necessary" projects (like updating a dwindling-use Maryland Parkway) until we have the funds available to do so without raising gas taxes.

Don't get me wrong - I'm not fond of potholes or poor roads, but I'm also willing to live within our current budget to wait until we can afford to fix them. Our income has been methodically chipped away by multiple government fees and taxes. Today, the rate is around 50% of our income that goes to paying for these things.

When is enough, enough?

The domino effect of raising gas taxes will extend to the cost of everything in Nevada as the cost of transporting goods will increase. Food will cost more, airlines bringing tourists to Nevada will spend more for gasoline (thus raising the cost of airline tickets), and services will cost more as the "fuel tax surcharge" that many now charge will increase. Every aspect of life depends on the cost of gasoline, so raising the gas tax rate effectively dips into the wallets of every single Nevadan and tourist that comes to our state, and not just at the pump.

Manage your funds better, and we won't need this increase.

Being "Number 1" at highest gasoline fuel taxes is not something Nevada should aspire to.

Regards,

K. Waldman

For a pdf map of gasoline tax rates: <http://www.api.org/oil-and-natural-gas-overview/industry-economics/~media/Files/Statistics/Gasoline-Tax-Map.pdf>

For another look at a breakdown of state fuel taxes: [http://www.api.org/oil-and-natural-gas-overview/industry-economics/~media/Files/Statistics/State\\_Motor\\_Fuel\\_Excise\\_Tax\\_Update.pdf](http://www.api.org/oil-and-natural-gas-overview/industry-economics/~media/Files/Statistics/State_Motor_Fuel_Excise_Tax_Update.pdf)

# Nevada

## Nevada Gasoline

(cents per gallon)

23.0      10.1      33.1      51.5  
 State Excise Tax    Other State Taxes/Fees    Total State Taxes/Fees    Total State plus Federal Excise Taxes (@ 18.4 cpg)

## Nevada Diesel

27.0      1.6      28.6      53.0  
 State Excise Tax    Other State Taxes/Fees    Total State Taxes/Fees    Total State plus Federal Excise Taxes (@ 24.4 cpg)

"Other Taxes" columns include individual county taxes on gasoline, 0.75 cpg cleanup fee, and 0.055 cpg inspection fee.

-- Click here for [Nevada Fuel Tax Information](#)

To find out more, visit [www.api.org/tax](http://www.api.org/tax)

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## State Gasoline Tax Rates as of January 1, 2013 (Cents Per Gallon)

State	Excise Tax	Other Taxes and Fees	Total	Rank
Ala.	16.0	4.9	20.9	37
Alaska	8.0	0.0	8.0	50
Ariz.	18.0	1.0	19.0	42
Ark.	21.5	0.3	21.8	35
Calif.	36.0	12.7	48.7	2
Colo.	22.0	0.0	22.0	33
Conn.	25.0	20.0	45.0	4
Del.	23.0	0.0	23.0	31
Fla.	4.0	31.5	35.5	10
Ga.	7.5	21.0	28.5	20
Hawaii	17.0	30.1	47.1	3
Idaho	25.0	0.0	25.0	25
Ill.	19.0	20.1	39.1	5
Ind.	18.0	20.0	38.0	7
Iowa	21.0	1.0	22.0	33
Kans.	24.0	1.0	25.0	25
Ky.	28.5	1.4	29.9	18
La.	20.0	0.0	20.0	38
Maine	30.0	1.5	31.5	16
Md.	23.5	0.0	23.5	29
Mass.	21.0	2.5	23.5	29
Mich.	19.0	19.7	38.7	6
Minn.	28.5	0.1	28.6	19
Miss.	18.0	0.8	18.8	44
Mo.	17.0	0.3	17.3	45
Mont.	27.0	0.8	27.8	22
Nebr.	24.6	0.9	25.5	24

Nev.	23.0	10.1	33.1	12
N.H.	18.0	1.6	19.6	41
N.J.	10.5	4.0	14.5	48
N.M.	17.0	1.9	18.9	43
N.Y.	8.1	42.6	50.6	1
N.C.	37.5	0.3	37.8	8
N.D.	23.0	0.0	23.0	31
Ohio	28.0	0.0	28.0	21
Okla.	16.0	1.0	17.0	46
Ore.	30.0	1.0	31.0	17
Pa.	12.0	20.3	32.3	15
R.I.	32.0	1.0	33.0	13
S.C.	16.0	0.8	16.8	47
S.D.	22.0	2.0	24.0	28
Tenn.	20.0	1.4	21.4	36
Tex.	20.0	0.0	20.0	38
Utah	24.5	0.0	24.5	27
Vt.	19.0	7.7	26.7	23
Va.	17.5	2.4	19.9	40
Wash.	37.5	0.0	37.5	9
W.Va.	21.8	12.9	34.7	11
Wis.	30.9	2.0	32.9	14
Wyo.	13.0	1.0	14.0	49
D.C.	23.5	0.0	23.5	(29)

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Neva Herrold [herroldnj@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 07, 2013 3:44 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax hike

I OPPOSE the gas tax hike. Neva Herrold, Las Vegas, NV

7 July 2013

Clark County Department of Business License,  
Fuel Tax Ordinance  
500 S. Grand Central Parkway  
Third Floor  
P.O. Box 551810  
Las Vegas, NV 89155-1810

[bloutreach@clarkcountynv.gov](mailto:bloutreach@clarkcountynv.gov)

Subject: Proposed Fuel Tax Increase

I am writing to offer comments on the proposed fuel tax increase which the Clark County Commissioners may vote to implement as a result of AB413 approved by the 2013 state legislature. **I am opposed to such an increase in the fuel tax.**

I recognize that county roads and highways are in need of constant improvement and maintenance. However, I believe that there would be enough money available for such improvements and maintenance without the tax increase if the county would align priorities with the real needs of a prosperous community and eliminate wasteful spending.

As an example, I believe there is a substantial amount of wasteful spending in the areas of welfare and hospital expenditures that should be pared back before imposing an additional tax burden on the citizens of Clark County who are already struggling to afford the basic needs of modern life. Moreover, the cost of construction in Clark County and Nevada overall is increased unnecessarily by the application of prevailing wage regulations, air quality regulations, and permit conditions generally.

Sincerely,

Jana Jensen  
3482 Wayne St  
Las Vegas, NV 89121

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Gary Gowin [gowin2@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 08, 2013 1:29 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I oppose the gas tax hike.

I oppose the gas tax hike.

Gary Gowin  
[gowin2@earthlink.net](mailto:gowin2@earthlink.net)  
EarthLink Revolves Around You.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Joseph Leising [joseph.leising@snwa.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 08, 2013 6:56 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** OPPOSE gas tax hike

I urge the commissioners not to impose a gas tax increase, and not continuing to do so in the future.

- (1) A gasoline tax increase to repair infrastructure might be justified if the 'prevailing wage' rules were eliminated beforehand.
- (2) Spending needs to be controlled first. Like most entities, Clark County has a spending problem, not a revenue problem. Prioritize budgets.
- (3) The imposition of new taxes should be reviewed each time by the voters, not hidden from view each year.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** DoubleLV@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, July 08, 2013 9:28 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Increase

We already are 12th in the nation in gas taxes at 51.5 cents vs. 49. Enough! We and our business have to live within our means, let the government do it also.

The economy of Las Vegas is still recovering and this will be an extra burden.

Thank you.

Linda & Gary Vause

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Evans, Don - OSHA State (NV-SP) [Evans.Don@dol.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 08, 2013 1:09 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax hike

I oppose the gas tax hike!

Don E Evans  
7148 Abbeyville Dr.  
Las Vegas, NV 89119

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## BL Outreach

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**From:** Phil Palma [pmpalma@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 08, 2013 1:28 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** FUEL TAX INCREASE

My wife and I are retired and on a fixed income which means we must watch our expenditures. In one sentence the request is for about 3 cents a gallon, and in the next paragraph it states the increase would increase with inflation capped at 7.8 percent annually. All government contracts and bills are written in a way that the public can't understand them let alone a lawyer. After trying to analyze the bill it appears to me that it is a lot more than 3 cents a gallon, and what appears inside the bill is that the tax will increase even more.

I don't trust our government officials on the proposal. I believe that the money will go for other projects and/or the general fund and we will be heavily taxed with little to show for it. We Clark County tax payers get screwed all the time. I am against this proposal.

Philip M. Palma

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Ken Irvin [Ken@starleadership.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 08, 2013 1:32 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax Ordinance

Commissioners,

Vote **NO** to increased fuel taxes.

Any increase in taxes during this fragile economy is stupid. Every private sector business and household had to cut back on costs and become more efficient years ago; but government – only far too late. You had to keep those unneeded bureaucrats working!

If you would **eliminate the ridiculous requirement of prevailing wage** on government projects, including road building, the cost of all projects would go down by 30%; but I guess you need those union votes. If you aren't willing to run Clark County as efficiently as possible, by seeking the lowest cost qualified suppliers, then the only other palatable alternative is to wait until the economy improves further and people are driving more and buying more fuel.

If you want to increase taxes for road building, then **impose a tax on hybrid and electric automobiles** where the buyers have received huge unwarranted federal government incentives. When economics make sense and electric cars, solar power, etc, become the lowest cost alternative for clean energy, private sector, for profit companies will enter the picture and do it efficiently without government incentives; whereas anything federal, state, and local governments or public utility monopolies get involved in ends up being inefficient and poorly managed by private sector standards.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Irvin (cell 702.524.1981)  
5525 W. Wigwam Avenue  
Las Vegas, NV 89139  
702.247.1981

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Michael Mathews [mathewscpa@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 08, 2013 3:55 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** I oppose gas tax increases

To whom it may concern:

I strongly oppose gas tax increases of any kind. For the record, I also oppose the police tax increase for the same reasons.

Money is tight for all Clark County residents. This is an outrage that you are even considering an effort to pull more money out of the pockets of hardworking taxpayers.

The Legislature did nothing to address the prevailing wage law, and this gas tax increase money will not be used efficiently as a result. How would you feel if someone came to you begging for money to buy food, and then turned around and used the money at a five-star restaurant. This is exactly what is happening when you raise taxes, only to turn around and pay prevailing wages.

Please vote NO!!!

Sincerely,  
Michael Mathews

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Maurizio Cok [cokwang@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 08, 2013 4:24 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Clark County Gas Tax Hike

I OPPOSE THE GAS TAX HIKE.

THANK YOU,

MAURIZIO COK

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Duane Matters [dmatters@ninyoandmoore.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 09, 2013 6:25 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Excuse Me . . . . .

The average tax burden for the 49% that pay taxes is in excess of 40%. There are tens and hundreds of millions of dollars in the highway trust fund. Billions of dollars were wasted on "Stimulus." The money I see being spent in Las Vegas on roads is making almost every median strip look like "Little Baja" with tacky scrap metal statues cluttering up public thoroughfares.

Only government comes up with extorting more money from the public when times are tough. The "RTC model" of raising fares when ridership is down is not the mechanism to bring more money into the "public coffers." Growing the size of the pie gives government a larger slice without stealing part of all of someone else's slice.

Indexing is a mechanism where government abdicates it's responsibility to be clear on what taxes are necessary. Government hides excessive salaries through "indexing."

If Clark County believes it is not receiving enough of the public's money. Do the hard thing. Hold a public vote each time something is seen as "necessary." After all, there are still a few median strips without a tacky metal sculpture in my neighborhood.

If you want, as an individual want to pay more taxes, you can send your "gift" to this address:

Gifts to the United States  
U.S. Department of the Treasury  
Credit Accounting Branch  
3700 East-West Highway, Room 6D37  
Hyattsville, MD 20782

I'm sure the state of Nevada has a similar program. Perhaps Clark County should start on too.

Leave me and my little amount of money I have (after Ninyo & Moore has my "indexed" salary at less than I was making in 2007) out.

Thank you

Duane H. Matters, CEM  
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July 6, 2013

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To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that I strongly oppose the additional fuel tax being considered by the County Commission and urge them not to approve this tax. Our County and its' citizens are still in a struggle with the poor economy and now is not the time for any increase in any taxes.

We must get our people back to work.

**Please DO NOT APPROVE THE PROPOSED FUEL TAX INCREASE!!!**

Sincerely,

Richard T Soley

2508 Claridge Ave

Henderson, NV 89074

P.S.

I find it somewhat disturbing that the Commission has made it very difficult to hear the voices of its citizens by not having an automatic phone-in system to get more direct input on an important matter such as this. The Commission has really let the people down by not having a call in system to place their approval or disapproval of the tax.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Julie Coombs [desert\_jule@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 09, 2013 10:18 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Vote NO on Gas Tax Increase

Dear Honorable Clark County Commissioners, I am writing today because I believe a Gas Tax increase is not fair to the citizens of Clark County. We are still recovering. Unemployment is still high. Value of property is still very low. This tax will not be put to a vote until 2016 and that is not right. You talk about raising the tax each year to compensate for inflation, I feel lucky to have a job and have not seen a raise in at least 5 years. Although you are right the cost of groceries has increased. An increase in the gas tax will drive the cost of everything up except my income. Thank you, Julie Coombs

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Karen Harling [kharling2@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 09, 2013 11:54 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Proposed Gas Hike

Hi -

I am writing to protest the proposed gas tax increase.

If the gas tax is increased it will decrease the number of tourists we get from surrounding states, particularly California. That will negatively impact our economy which is still vulnerable.

If the purpose of the tax is to fund highway improvements, I would suggest adding a surcharge to car registration based on the average weight of the vehicle. The heavier the vehicle, the more wear & tear they add to the highways so it is fair that they pay more.

If someone has a smaller/lighter car then there is no additional fee. If someone has an SUV, Hummer, stretch limo etc they pay more. A tractor-trailer truck would pay the most, unless they are registered outside of NV.

We don't want out-of-state trucks that bring in food etc to pay more or they would pass the cost on to Nevada consumers - who would then be stuck paying more for food AND gas.

I live near Sunrise mountain (89156) where mining trucks go back & forth all day loaded with rock. The mining industry already gets tax breaks and yet their property looks like a graffiti covered dump, illustrating their lack of concern for the negative impact they have on surrounding home values. Their heavy trucks damage the roads that we, as taxpayers, would then have to pay for should the gas tax be passed.

Please don't do it. We already pay enough in taxes to cover ordinary highway use. Heavy vehicles create wear & tear above ordinary use and should pay their fair share.

If that still is not enough money to fund road improvements perhaps the decorative budget should be eliminated. I appreciate the attempt to improve the area but it's just another maintenance issue and expense we cannot afford. If my driveway were coming apart & I couldn't afford to fix it I would be stupid to spend money painting the garage.

Why should I pay 3 cents more a gallon for highways if that money will be spent on boxes of rocks at an offramp or a cactus painted on an underpass? Especially since it's the more expensive neighborhoods that get the most extensive landscaping . . .

But I suppose the graffiti on our local mine-hole is what Sunrise gets for the highway dollars we already pay.

Sincerely - kh

Where They need to Concentrate  
on Raising Taxes is on the mining and  
Casinos' AT least 10-12%.

NOT on Raising Taxes on the fuel.  
When people Travel FROM other States  
to Come here they will see the high  
COST OF FUEL and will change their  
minds about Coming to Nevada to visit.  
And plus they're NOT Thinking about the  
working Americans' and Seniors, The ones  
That are struggling.

105 They would have to budget more of their  
paycheck. (Like some of us do).

There are other Resources like  
Lottery Tickets in Gift Shops - Casinos'  
Convenience Stores, they'll make a  
little profit and the Rest can be  
Applied towards Education, Fixing Roads ect.

Mary Ellen Hepler

I FEEL FUEL PRICES IN CLARK COUNTY ARE ALREADY HIGH. RAISING THE FUEL TAX WOULD HURT TOURISM AS WELL AS THE WORKING CLASS PEOPLE IN CLARK COUNTY.

ONE ANSWER IS TO RAISE THE TAX RATE ON GAMING CLOSER TO THE NATIONAL AVERAGE. THEY CAN BUILD MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR CASINO'S IN A COMMUNIST COUNTRY AND MAKE RECORD PROFITS THEN COMPLAIN ABOUT LOWER PROFITS IN NEVADA.

ALSO THE GOLD MINING COMPANIES SHOULD PAY A MORE FAIR TAX RATE. ITS MY UNDERSTANDING 2 OF THEM ARE NOT BASED IN NEVADA.

BUSINESSES COME HERE PAY VERY LITTLE IN TAXES AND TAKE THE PROFITS OUT OF STATE.

THERE ARE MANY OTHER WAYS OF CREATING REVENUE THAT WON'T HURT THE LITTLE GUY.

*Thomas C. Hepker*

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Bast, Jeffrey [jeff.bast@atkinsglobal.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 09, 2013 1:37 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax Ordinance

Honorable Commissioners;

I just wanted to write to the commission to let them know that I do NOT support the proposed fuel tax increase. I believe it is beyond belief that this is even being proposed given the state of the economy not only in Nevada but in the USA in general. There are now more individuals on government assistance than there are private sector workers. And an increase in taxes is being proposed? Clark County residents do NOT need a new tax.

I would encourage all Commissioners to soundly and overwhelmingly reject this proposal for a fuel tax increase.

Thank you...

**Jeff Bast**  
Right-of-Way Agent, Surface Transportation - Nevada

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Consider the environment. Please don't print this email unless you really need to.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Kent Anderson [kanderson@nvbydesign.com] on behalf of kmajej@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 09, 2013 3:24 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Indexing Initiative

I am opposed to the fuel indexing until the County gets serious and rectifies its own wasteful spending. A large portion of tax money goes to salaries of the county. The salaries that are paid to incompetent lazy personnel, especially in management, is beyond my realm of understanding. As someone who has to interact with these people on a weekly basis, I KNOW.

Let me say how much I enjoy standing at a counter and wait 5 or 10 minutes while I am ignored as bull-shit conversations continue between employees.

I see the waste in Metro, Fire Department, Building Dept., Public Works Dept., Water District, Regional Flood Control District, Regional Transportation District and I am sure there are a myriad of others that I don't have to deal with.

All this will do is encourage electric cars that will require increase in power production.

Please do something right and act as a County Commission acting for the residents and not for the power of government. Be a responsible County Commissioner instead of the usual County Clown.

I am real, my name has been withheld to protect reprisal from government. I have seen it, I have experienced it.

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## BL Outreach

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**From:** Al Hill [hilah@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 10, 2013 8:09 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax Hike

Another tax hike at this time is a bad idea. I am solidly against raising this tax. Please! This is an ideal situation to stop any further tax increases.

Albert Hill

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Stanert, Blair [bstanert@mgmresorts.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 10, 2013 8:18 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** i AM COMPLETELY AGAINST AB413

NO MORE TAXES. Blair Stanert

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Spencer Hawkins [seahawk11@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 10, 2013 9:17 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** FW: Fuel Tax Increases

See below--originally sent to wrong address.

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**From:** Spencer Hawkins [mailto:seahawk11@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 09, 2013 4:38 PM  
**To:** 'bloutreach@clarkcountrynv.gov'  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax Increases

Somehow the cars that don't use gasoline, such as electric and methane/natural gas, and which add to road wear aren't in this equation for helping to pay for highway improvements: they are using the roads, so they should help pay for their repair and maintenance. You really need to find a way to get these owners to pay their fair share especially since more and more people are buying non-gasoline using vehicles. Fewer and fewer people will be buying gas, therefore, less and less gas taxes will be collected over the years.

You're taking the easy way for this--Be forward thinking!

Spencer Hawkins  
Henderson, NV

## BL Outreach

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**From:** terrytemples@hotmail.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 10, 2013 2:24 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** proposed gas tax hike

As a senior resident of Clark County, I respectfully oppose the addition of taxes on gas. Clark County, mainly Las Vegas proper, has a huge base of senior citizens, who struggle to get by now on their fixed income, high food costs, increased energy costs, which are projected to rise even more in the near future, with little chance of a reasonable cost of living increase in our social security. I fear with such a tax, and it open ended, most seniors will be reduced to shopping only at the dollar store at best, and becoming homeless at worse. As far as the contractors anxiously waiting your decision, I'm sure they are! But not for the reason stated in the as Vegas Review 'View'. I have noticed, as in most areas, just about every contract for 'highway improvements', etc. go to the same group of contractors, thus no 'new' jobs will be created, just extensions of those in place. As in just about every government contract, they are all underbid, come out WAY over bid and take forever to complete (Boulder Hgy/Fremont St) is a perfect example of the slow motion, build, tear down and rebuild mentality of the contractors who constantly get the bids in this area. And lastly, I'm sure the state and the federal government will jump on this same band wagon and put the nail in the so called coffin of senior citizens. We are great in number, and most of us still go out to the polls. These next elections might well be a tide turner.

Respectfully, James Voorhees and Theresa Temples-Voorhees

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Tom Budnick [lvdragonrider@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 10, 2013 10:31 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax hike

I feel that to make people who drive gas cars pay because you need to make road repairs is unfair. People who drive electric or hybrid cars will benefit the road repairs without paying their fair share. A better method would be to add a county road use tax on the registration fee so every one would share the burden. A gasoline tax hike would only make people use less gasoline so you wouldn't gain. Thank you Tom Budnick Las Vegas

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Evelyn Irvin [Evelyn@starleadership.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 11, 2013 10:57 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel Tax Ordinance

Commissioners,

Vote **NO** to increased fuel taxes.

In this economy, private sector businesses and households have had to cut back, but government doesn't get it. Instead of making tough (and unpopular) decisions, most often the answer to government's budget shortfall problems is increased taxes. Where does it end?

Why don't you tighten your belt and live within your present budget, like the rest of us, by making do with what you have; cutting costs and working more efficiently; and reducing staff, wages, and salaries?

Why not eliminate the prevailing wage requirement on government projects, and stop subsidizing green projects that presently make no economic sense?

Government exists to do the bidding of the people, not the other way around. Stop wasting our money...just do your job.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Irvin (cell 702.592.5889)  
5525 W. Wigwam Avenue  
Las Vegas, NV 89139  
702.247.1981

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Pat DeMarco [patdemarco@centurylink.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 11, 2013 12:03 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Proposed Gas Tax Hike

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of myself and my family. I am a senior who lives in Las Vegas. My family lives in Henderson. Please do not impose a gas tax hike. We cannot afford another increase in our expenses. Everything seems to go up except salaries and social security checks. Gas is already too costly. A gas tax hike will impose a great burden on the working class as well as the seniors in Clark County.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Patricia DeMarco

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Ashley Hall II [nvrealestate@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 11, 2013 12:12 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas Tax Indexing

I live in and work Clark County and I am OPPOSED to the indexing of our gas tax. This will only mean higher gas prices. Additionally indexing the tax makes it unpredictable and very difficult to budget.

If funds are needed to maintain, improve and construct road projects, the County Manager should be looking at cutting regulation and reducing staff rather than soaking tax payers with higher taxes.

Ashley Hall, II  
2298 Florence Ave.  
Las Vegas, NV 89119  
PH: 702-340-0894

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Dale Woodruff [dalewoodruff15@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 11, 2013 3:54 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** gas tax increase

Clark County, Commissioners,

I do not want to raise the tax on gas! It is high time that Clark County be more responsible for the money they spend.

Like the mess at Sahara and Boulder Hwy, what a joke.

D.Wooruff

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Chris Watkins [segateelite@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 11, 2013 4:51 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** No to new tax increases

This is an email generated in response to an article in the Review Journal written by Ben Botkin on June 29.

The reason for the denial of any new tax increases is any more additional funds received will encourage even more of the already in place wasteful government spending.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Christopher Brennan [chris.brennan28@icloud.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 11, 2013 7:29 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Vote Against the Fuel Tax Increase

My wife and I are strongly against the proposed fuel tax increase. Nevada is still in the beginning stages of recovering from the Great Recession, and we are bracing ourselves for the burdens of Obamacare, which is right around the corner. Placing a regressive tax on the hard-working citizens of Clark County is the wrong thing to do right now.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Mariana Hall [ajmariana@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 12, 2013 7:30 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Fuel tax indexing

I am a resident of Clark County and I oppose the indexing of the fuel tax because this will cause the price of gas to increase year after year. Gas is a major part of my family budget as it is and to make it more expensive by increasing its tax will further hurt my struggling family and other families in Clark County. I oppose further tax hikes on citizens and the County should look at its own budget and see where cuts can be made first.

Mariana E. Hall  
2298 Florence Ave.  
Las Vegas, NV 89119

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Joy Johnson [j0yj0hnson@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 12, 2013 8:54 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Proposed Gas Tax Hike!

I will be going against any proposed Gasoline Tax for Nevada.

Our President Obama has a Job's Act Bill that need to be enacted which would help fix roads, highways and bridges.

I am so fed up with the way these Republicans want to tax the working class, women and the poor so they can keep the George W. Tax Cuts.

Beside the speculators keep speculating Gasoline and the price is again going up from what I heard on the news last evening.

No this State's house members and senate members need to get Our President's Job's Act Bill passed. With that just sitting in Washington and be obstructed against by the Do Nothing Congress (Republican Nazi Tea Bagger, Communist, Bigot Party), are going to ruin this country because they couldn't make our President a one term President. Look the Republicans have got to get to work for the good of the people and that doesn't mean raising more tax burdens on The People. We The People Are Fed Up with The Whole Lot of You.

As the elections come up one at a time there are a whole class of us out here that will be voting you Republicans out of office every chance we get. Your through as far as the people are concerned. It's a sad day when you close your ears for what the people want and you know were not going to stand for it.

We will go against the Fuel tax because it's just another ploy against the people so the Richest among us can keep their tax cuts. We The Working Class, Women, The Poor and The Middle Class are really fed up and their are more of us then you.

NO NEW TAXES ON US. YOU NEED TO START PAYING YOUR FAIR SHARE AND LEAVE THE REST OF US ALONE. WE ARE ALL BARLEY MAKING IT AS IT IS AND YOU WANT TO ADD MORE TAXES TO GASOLINE THAT WERE HAVING A HARD TIME AFFORDING AS IT IS. IN YOUR DREAMS. WE THE PEOPLE REFUSE TO PAY ANY MORE TAX HIKES ON ANYTHING. WE WILL VOTE THE LOT OF YOU OUT OF OFFICE.....PERIOD.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** mmmacd@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, July 12, 2013 12:03 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** AB413 gas tax increase

We are adamantly opposed to any gas tax that is tied to inflation. It is unfortunate that our State Legislators did not have the courage on AB 413, to take action and instead dumped it on the County Commission. This should have been put to a vote by the public with adequate information and if necessary. The proposal would rise with the rate of inflation capped at 7.8% annually. At current rate of \$3.60 per gallon this would be a possibility of a 28¢ gallon increase annually. Historically, we can count on at least a 4% increase per year (14¢). As you are well aware, any tax tied to inflation is confiscatory and is a very regressive tax on particularly the lower and fixed income public. Once it is voted in, taxes are automatically raised without political/voter involvement. The RTC states bonds of "about" \$700 million would be issued and create "10,000 jobs". Again, a sad lack of information to the public.

What are the \$700 million and 10,000 jobs based on?  
Would all funds collected be utilized only by Clark County and only on specific road projects?  
What specific benefits would the general public see? And in what specific areas?  
Would these projects be competitively bid?  
When would these projects start and be completed?

It would appear to us that AB413 is an attempt to raise a lot of ongoing tax revenue and somewhere down the road, funds would be identified and allocated.

Murray & Shirley MacDonald  
233 Collindale St  
Henderson, NV 89074

PLEASE VOTE

NO THANK YOU

Las Vegas Review-Journal

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# Citizens can offer opinions on gas tax

County taking mail, email feedback by 5 p.m. July 12

By BEN BOTKIN

LAS VEGAS REVIEW-JOURNAL

Before commissioners vote on fuel tax increases, Clark County residents have a chance to take a stand.

Anyone from everyday citizens to business owners can weigh in on a proposal that allows the County Commission to raise gas taxes by about 3 cents a gallon for each of the next three years.

If approved by commissioners, the new revenue will fund highway improvements. The increases would rise with the rate of inflation, with the maximum tax increase capped at 7.8 percent annually.

The Clark County Department of Business License will accept the feedback via mail and email until 5 p.m. on July 12 for

a business impact statement on the measure.

"The business impact statement process is critically important in allowing the community to be involved in the public policy discussion," Clark County Commissioner Larry Brown, who serves as chairman of the Regional Transportation Commission, said in a statement. "We encourage all interested parties to submit their comments."

County officials say the proposed fuel tax increase would allow the Regional Transportation Commission to issue bonds of about \$700 million, also creating 10,000 jobs for the highway projects.

Contractors are watching to see what the decision will mean for their industry, with an eye toward the economic benefits.

"Some of our members will be paying the highest prices with the fuel," said Sean Stewart, executive vice president of the Nevada Contractors Association and the Las Vegas chapter of Associated General

Contractors. "They're major consumers of the fuel. At the same time, it brings a lot of chances for jobs and infrastructure in Southern Nevada."

Both organizations support the fuel tax increase.

The county's pending decision is possible because the Legislature this session approved Assembly Bill 413, which allows the fuel tax increase in Clark County. If commissioners approve the measure, it takes effect on Jan. 1.

There are a couple limits.

If the fuel tax increase is put in place, residents will vote in November 2016 on whether they want to authorize commissioners to put more annual fuel tax increases in place.

Written comments can be mailed to Clark County Department of Business License, Fuel Tax Ordinance, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Third Floor, Box 551810, Las Vegas, Nev., 89155-1810. Emailed comments can be sent to [bloutreach@clarkcountynv.gov](mailto:bloutreach@clarkcountynv.gov) by 5 p.m. July 12.

## BL Outreach

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**From:** CJR [rossiworks@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 12, 2013 3:44 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** GAS TAX

PLEASE DO NOT RAISE GAS TAXES IN CLARK COUNTY.

USE THE MONEY THAT YOU ALREADY HAVE TO FUND THE REPAIRS NEED FOR OUR ROADS AND FREEWAYS.

STOP SPENDING/ WAISTING MONEY ON UNECESSARY ROAD REPAIR. SUCH AS:

- ELECTRONIC SIGNS THAT TELL ME HOW LONG IT TAKES TO TRAVEL TO THE NEXT EXIT
- METAL HORSES AND SHEEP AROUND THE ROAD EXITS
- UNECESSARY / EXCESSIVE FLOOD LIGHTS DOWN THE MIDDLE OF THE FREEWAY
- REPLACING OF A 15 FT NOISE BARRIER WALL WITH A 20 FT NOISE BARRIER ON THE 215 FREEWAY.

USE WHAT YOU HAVE. INSTEAD OF SPENDING MORE AND INCREASING TAXES ON UNNEEDED REPAIRS.

CHRIS J ROSSI  
2262 SUMMERWIND CIRCLE  
HENDERSON , NV 89052

## BL Outreach

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**From:** Lorna Hall [lornahall@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 12, 2013 4:22 PM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Gas tax

I oppose the change in the gas tax from a flat rate to an indexed tax that will increase every year with NO oversight or input from the tax payers and citizens.

Lorna Hall  
4651 White Rock Dr.  
Las Vegas, NV 89121

Sent from my iPhone

## BL Outreach

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**From:** BL Outreach  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 17, 2013 4:16 PM  
**To:** Mike Harwell  
**Subject:** FW: Increased fuel taxes

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**From:** Tony [mailto:TFAS46325377@embarqmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 17, 2013 10:03 AM  
**To:** BL Outreach  
**Subject:** Increased fuel taxes

I am responding to the thought of increased fuel taxes. My response to this is, are you INSANE! We have the worst unemployment and housing crisis's ever and you want to increase taxes to spend on god only knows what. Government is corrupt and it is time for the people to put an end to this madness. We, the people, need to throw everyone out of government and put new people in who care about this country. We need to have term limits and not career politicians who want our hard earned money for their greed and power aspirations.